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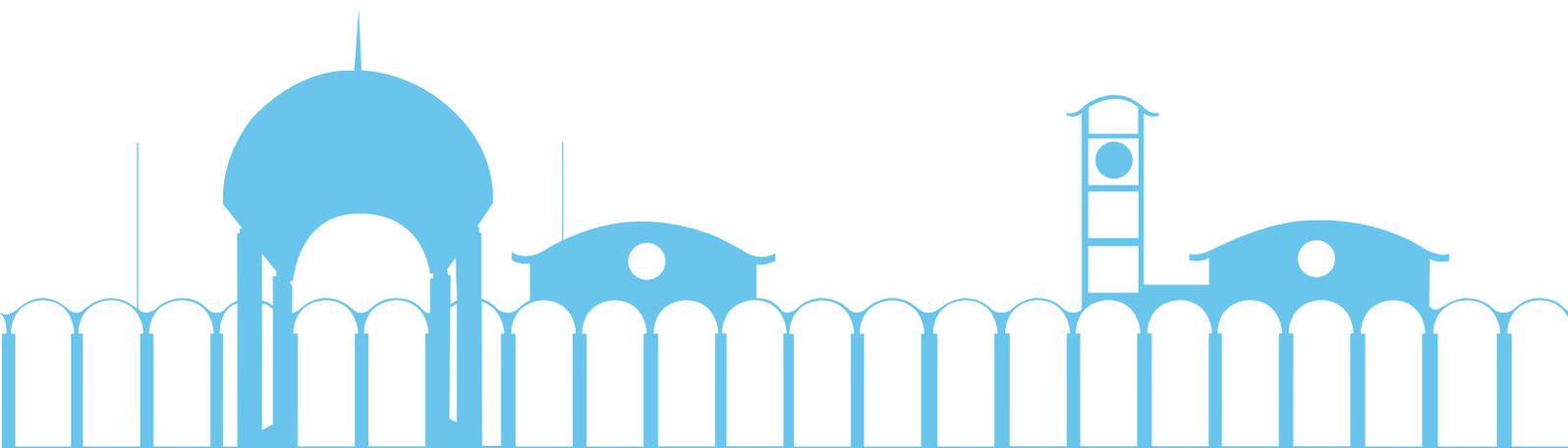
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Tuesday 25th February, 2025

THE ASSEMBLY met at 2:00 p.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

PRAYERS

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SPEAKER'S REMARKS

MR SPEAKER (MR KEORAPETSE): Order! Honourable Members. Honourable Members, it looks like you are quorated. I shall invoke Standing Order 26.2 to adjourn briefly, so that we turn into a General Assembly because there is a quick decision to make. So, please Sergeant-at-Arms, clear the gallery and media booth.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Mr Speaker, clarification sir.

MR SPEAKER: We have adjourned, *re mo* General Assembly. *Re emetse fela gore* media booth be cleared *le* public gallery. It is a very quick decision that we have to make.

PROCEEDINGS SUSPENDED AT 2:04 P.M. FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES

PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AT 2:20 P.M.

MR SPEAKER: Let us start our business of today with questions.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

STATUS OF STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES

MR A. K. KHAN (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH): asked the Minister of Finance:

- (i) to update this Honourable House on the status and compliance rate of State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs) on issues of corporate governance, backed by thorough audit processes; and
- (ii) if there are any plans to provide a comprehensive report on the SOEs, especially those which are tasked with management and disbursement of public funds in the form of loans.

Later Date.

CEDA FORENSIC AUDIT REPORT

MR C. K. JACOBS (LOBATSE): asked the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to state:

- (i) the findings of the Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC), Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA) forensic audit report and whether it will be released;
- (ii) the real reason/s the report is being kept top secret and what measures CEDA has taken relating to whistleblowing and corruption prevention at the agency;
- (iii) what action and steps were taken to address the findings of the report;
- (iv) the report's full recommendations and for the Minister to make the recommendations public for the sake of transparency and good public governance as CEDA is a public entity;
- (v) what the administrative recommendations of the audit as advised by DCEC were and when they will be implemented and released to the public;
- (vi) the recommendations of a parallel forensic audit for the CEDA Venture Capital Fund (CVCF);
- (vii) how much CEDA spent on buying and later refurbishing a four bed-roomed house for the CEO in Extension 11 and who were the estate agents for the said transaction;
- (viii) the terms of the plush office building at the Central Business District, the owners of the building, the name of the company the agency has entered into a lease agreement with in respect of Plot No. 54350, the monthly payments being paid by CEDA, the amount paid in the last five years and the period of the lease and if the construction of the building was financed by CEDA; and
- (ix) the amounts CEDA spent on Pula Steel and returns gained.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, how long is your answer.

MINISTER OF TRADE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (MR NTSIMA): Very long.

MR SPEAKER: I will invoke Standing Order 38.4. You will give the answer to the Honourable Member if you cannot summarise the answer.



MR NTSIMA: It will be hard to summarise because...

MR SPEAKER: If it will be hard 38.4; Honourable Jacobs, you will get the answer from Honourable Ntsima.

MR JACOBS: Point of procedure Mr Speaker *batho ba Lobatse bone jaanong ba ya go reng?*

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Member, what is out of procedure?

MR JACOBS: *Gakere* the answer should be heard by *batho ba Lobatse. Ba batla* the answers to these questions Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Honourable Jacobs, *mma ke go balele* Standing Order 38.4. "If the Speaker is of the opinion that the answer to a question for oral answer of which notice has been given is likely to be long and tedious, the Speaker may direct that such answer be provided in writing and not on the floor of the House." So, I have taken a decision that you will get that answer.

Now Honourable Jacobs and all Honourable Members, please *gakololanang ka dipotso tse di teleletelele tse. Fa le ka nna la botsa dipotso tse di teleletelele tse, go tlile go pala gore dikarabo di tswa fa. Dikarabo go raya gore le tlaabo le di neelwa ka tsela e ke e buang e.* It is very unfortunate Honourable Jacobs, but that is how it is.

Let me appeal to the Ministers that where possible, please these long questions summarise the answers. It may be difficult *jaaka e na le parts di le nine* but try, do your best.

MR JACOBS: Mr Speaker, how do we go back to our people and explain to them that Mr Speaker says that, the answer is too long and they cannot hear the answers to these questions? Mr Speaker, *re tlhophilwe, re botsa dipotso tse di tswa mo bathong ba kwa Lobatse.* We need to move up with an answer. *Fa ke ya go ba raya jaana, kamoso ke ya go tlhophololwa* Mr Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Jacobs, fa o le mo Kgotleng, o bo o ba rarabololela karabo e o tlaabong o e filwe ke Honourable Ntsima. O ba e tlhalosetsa gore mme karabo ke e ya riana, ga ba ka ke ba go tlhopholola motlotlegi, ba tlaa go utlwa. Se se botlhokwa ke gore, *going forward*, leka thata gore dipotso tsa gago di bo di ka nna dikhutshwane. Dikarabo fa di le di telele, *I will invoke the Standing Order.*

KGALAGADI NORTH ROADS

MR R. M. LEKUTLANE (KGALAGADI NORTH): asked the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to apprise this Honourable House on:

- (i) when he intends to design and construct the Hukuntsi-Ncojane road and access roads to Zutshwa, Ngwatle, Ncaang, Hunhukwe, Monong, Xhaa and Ukhwi;
- (ii) what he intends doing in the short term about the accessibility to Xhaa, Hunhukwe and Maake villages which are inaccessible unless someone uses a truck or 4x4 vehicle due to heavy loose sandy roads;
- (iii) when the routine dry grading and spot improvement was done on the following roads;
 - (a) Hukuntsi – Zutshwa – Ngwatle – Ukhwi;
 - (b) Hukuntsi – Monong – Ngwatle;
- (iv) when the Phuduhudu – Inalegolo – Kokong road will be upgraded to a paved road; and
- (v) the number of fleet allocated to Kgalagadi North constituency village by village, department by department, the number in use and the number not in use.

Later Date.

PLANS TO UPGRADE KOPONG CLINIC

MR T. BOGATSU (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE): asked the Minister of Health if there are any plans to upgrade Kopong Clinic in order to match the rate of growth of the village; and to further state if he:

- (i) will reconsider the clinic operational times;
- (ii) will consider increasing the number of doctors as the only available doctor also services Mmatseta and Gakuto; and
- (iii) is aware that the clinic operated through a nurse on call.

MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR MODISE): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker*, go na le maikaelelo a go aga *clinic* kwa Kopong. *Clinic* e e tsentswe mo Transitional National Development Plan (TNDP) ya 2023/2025, e e nang le *maternity. Project* e, ke nngwe



e e amilweng ke *the Development Model review*. Re santse re emetse gore 40 *days* yo o beilweng a wele, re bo re itse gore maduo a *review* ke eng.

Mr Speaker, ka 2023 *clinic* e e ne ya fetolwa go nna 24 *hours* mme ka maswabi, *it is not functioning as 24-hour facility* gone jaana. Bothata jo bo Tona jo bo leng teng, e le kgang ya go tlhela ga dingaka.

Ke tsaya ke re ntlha e e wela mo go e e latelang e e botsang gore ka bongaka bo a tlhela teng, e bile *it operates on on-call basis*, re tlaa dira jang. Maikaelelo ke gore jaaka re ntse re hira bongaka, re oketsa *staff* sa rona, re tsenye leitlho mo go tse di saletseng kwa morago jaaka tse gore re oketse bongaka kwa kgaolong ya teng. Ke maswabi, bothata jwa rona ke jone joo jwa go tlhalelwa ke bongaka kwa kgaolong yone ele. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR BOGATSU: *Supplementary*. Ke a e utlwa karabo Tona. Ke ne ke setse ke tsenya Kopong fela ka gore ke one motse o motona ka dipalo mme *that problem is wide spread across the constituency*. Jaanong ke ne ke batla go itse gore a mme gone o kile wa akanya sengwe ka bo Lentsweletau, Kgope, Medie, jalojalo? Ke eme *Mr Speaker*.

DR MODISE: O bolelela ruri motlotlegi, kana go na le mafelo a mangwe a a amegang, gongwe ke go tlatsa bo Gakuto, Mmatseta le bone ba mo teng. Ke dikgaolo tse re di lebeleletseng, jaaka ke bua gore di amilwe ke kgang yone e ya DM le *review*. Re na le maikaelelo otlhe a gore re lekalekanye ditlamelo tsa rona le batho ba ba mo dikgaolong tseo gore go se ka ga nna le letlhoko le le ntseng jalo. Ke a solofetsa gore jaaka re ntse re hira bodiredi, le mo *budget* e tlang e, ke dikgaolo tse e leng gore re tlaa bona gore re isa bodiredi teng. Ke a leboga Motlotlegi.

IN-SERVICE OFFICER CADET POST

MR R. W. KAIZER (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST): asked the Minister for State President if he is aware of the “in-service officer cadet post” which aims at progressing non-commissioned officers to commissioned officers; if so, to state:

- (i) the criteria for the selection of non-commissioned officers to be considered for the post;
- (ii) how often the post is advertised and if it is in line with the provisions of the Botswana Defence Force Act; and

(iii) how many non-commissioned officers have progressed through this programme in the past five years.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Minister for State President.

MR KAIZER: E rile fa ke ntse ke le fa, ke gone ke amogelang gore o kopa go e *later date Mr Speaker*. Jaanong ke ne ke kopa *procedure* gore batlotlegi ba neelwa nako e e kae *to communicate* gore dipotso tseo ba tlaa di araba mo nakong e e kae? Ke akanya gore fa gongwe *to receive that communication* o le fa, o kare ga go re direle *justice*. *Thank you Mr Speaker*.

MINISTER FOR STATE PRESIDENT (MR MOHWASA): Nnyaa, gongwe molaetsa ga o a goroga sentle. Se se neng se buiwa ke fa re le mo tseleng re tswa kwa tirong e re neng re le kwa go yone. Potso ya gago ke e motlotlegi, ga go na bothata bope, tlaa re go arabe.

Mr Speaker, potso ya ga Rre Kaizer o bua ka mothale o o dirisiwang gore go ka sekasekwa jang ba ba ntseng ba le masole gore ba ka tsena ba bitswa *officer cadet*. A bo a botsa gape le dipalo tsa bone ba ba neng ba kgona go sologelwa molemo ke thulaganyo e mo dingwageng tse tlhano tse di fetileng. Se ke ka se buang *Mr Speaker*, Moeteledipele wa BDF ka *Regulation 3* e e laolang *cadet officers*, e tlhalosa gore o ka tsaya mongwe le mongwe go nna *cadet* yo o a bong a ntse a le mo tirong a theogetse. Go raya gore se se neela ba ba mo tirong e le masole ba ba bitswang *non-commissioned officers* sebaka sa gore le bone ba ka kgona go dirwa *commissioned officers* mo sesoleng fa ba sena go tsena *course* ya *officer cadet* ka gore le fa o ntse o le mo tirong, o fiwa sebaka sa go ya *training*.

Qualifications tsa bone di supa gore ba tshwanetse gore ba bo ba dirile *Form Five*. Go na le go iteisana borathana mo go fa godimonyana mo go feletseng e le gore batho ba ba ntseng ba atlega e ne e le batho ba ba nang le *degree* ba itsentse dikole ba ntse ba le mo tirong. Gape go lemogilwe gape gore thulaganyo e ya go hira bo *officer cadet* mo sesoleng sa Botswana e diragala gangwefela mo ngwageng. Fa re lebelela mo dingwageng tse tlhano jaaka motlotlegi a botsa, batho ba filwe sebaka sa go nna jalo mo dingwageng tse pedi, ya 2024 le mo ngwageng one o wa 2025.

Moeteledipele wa sesole sa Botswana o ne a bua le ba mafatshe a mangwe jaaka gompiano re na le bangwe ba ba ileng go ithuta kwa dikoleng tse di kwa ntle. Fa re bua jaana, go na le batho ba le barataro ba e neng

e se *commissioned officers* ba ba neng ba ya sekoleng, ba bane ba le kwa Mozambique, ba babedi ba le kwa Zambia. Dipalo tsa batho ba le 68 ba setse ba kgonne gore mo dingwageng tse tlhano tse di fetileng ba hirwe ka thulaganyo yone e ke sa tswang go e tlhalosa.

Mo ngwageng wa 2024 ba le 27 e le *non-commissioned officers* ba ne ba tsena ka thulaganyo yone *after being trained to be officer cadets* mo BDF. Ka 2025 ba le masome a mane le bongwe (41) ba e neng e le *non-commissioned offices* ba ne ba tsewa ka thulaganyo yone e ke sa tswang go e tlhalosa Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ka go le kalo, ke ne ke re ke leboqe.

MR KAIZER: *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga Tona ka karabo eo. Ke ne ke re gongwe ke botse fa, ke ne ke utlwa o bua gore *it seems like only two years from the five* e ke boditseng ka yone, ke yone e go neng ga nna le *that progression from non-commissioned to commissioned officers.* Jaanong ke ne ke re ke botse gore mo dingwageng tse tharo tseo go diragetse eng gore go bo go sa nne le *that progression?*

E nngwe ya bobedi Tona ke gore, fa o lebile dipalo tsa bo *non-commissioned officers*, o lebelela ba e leng gore ba a *progress through ranks*, a o kgotsofalela dipalo tsa ba e leng gore *they go through ranks?* A ga o bone gongwe *in the near future you can consider* gore le oketse dipalo tsa ba ba fetelelang *from non-commissioned to commissioned?*

Ya bofelo *Minister* ke gore, mo *requirements* tsa *this progression* go na le fa go buiwang ka *fingerprints* gore *that officer* o tshwanetse gore a bo a sena molato o a o dirileng mo *two years prior to submitting the application.* Ke re Tona, a o a itse gore go na le *non-commissioned officers* ba e leng gore tshetlana yone e e ne e ba beile ka fa mosing? E re ntswa fa gongwe ba na le menwana e e leng gore *it dates back to five years* mme fa gongwe e ne e sa sutlhiwa. Jaanong ga ke itse gore a o a lemoga golo mo go baya *officers* tse ka fa mosing? Ba le bantsi ba dule setlhabelo sa yone tshetlana e mme e se ka fa tsamaisong. *Thank you.*

MR MOHWASA: Tlaa ke simolole ka ya bofelo ya ga Rre Kaizer, ke tsaya gore fa o ne o botsa potso e o itse gore go na le batho ba *fingerprints*, o ka bo o sa le wa tsenya mo potsong ya gago. Jaanong fa o botsa potso eo gompiano, ke tlaa itse jang ka batho ba *fingerprints?* *It helps* ka go supa o na le *information*, e bile ga se *information* e ke neng ke go e neela, go supa o ntse o na

le yone, o ka bo o sa *incorporate* gore ke ka bo ke tlile ka karabo ya go nna jalo.

Se sengwe se ke neng ke re ke se bue...

MR KAIZER: *Procedure.* *Mr Speaker*, ke akanya gore potso e ke e akareditse fa go tla kwa go *criteria.* *This forms part of the criteria ya fingerprints, so you are aware of the criteria* e e dirisiwang. Jaanong ga o ka ke wa nthaya wa re ke ka bo ke tlisitse potso e gape ke e tsentse. *It forms part of that.* Jaanong ke kopa gore o arabe potso jaaka e ntse *Minister.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker.*

MR SPEAKER: Minister, are you able to provide that answer?

MR MOHWASA: *Criteria* e ke buileng ka yone ke ya *qualifications* tsa sekole, ke yone e ke nang le yone. Jaanong ya *fingerprints* ga ke ka ke ka tsena mo go yone.

E nngwe e ke neng ke re ke tsene mo go yone ke ya *non-commissioned officers* gore a go ka se ke ga oketswa dipalo. Dipalo *will be determined* ke gore nako eo go a bo go na le diphatlha tse kae. Gakere jaanong go na le *adverts* tse di bulelwang mongwe le mongwe, *so ga se gore fa le bulelwa, le bulelwa e le gore go tsewa mongwe le mongwe.* Go tsewa ba *non-commissioned* go bo go tsewa ba ba tswang kwa ntle. Go a bo go na le *skills* tse BDF le yone e a bong e di batla go tswa kwa ntle.

E nngwe ke ya dingwaga tse dingwe tse di kwa morago. Karabo e ke nang le yone e bua ka 2024 le 2025 jaaka e tlhalosa gore batho ba ba kgonneng go hirwa mo dingwageng tse thano ba 68.

By implication e go raya e re ka fa e ntseng ka teng e supa gore mo dingwageng tse tharo go ne go saletse kwa morago, kwa ntleng ga tse pedi tsa 2024 tse go tserweng batho ba le 27, le 2025 tse go tserweng ba le 41. *Those two* fa o di kopanya di go neela kwa godimo karabo e e reng go tserwe batho ba le 68.

MR KAIZER: *Further supplementary.* *Mr Speaker*, ke akanya gore Tona o tshaba go araba dipotso tsa me. Potso ya me e tlhamaletse gore *you need to account for the five years but* Tona a re o tla ka karabo ya *two years.* *It means* gore Tona o palelwa ke go araba ka fa potso ke e boditseng ka teng. Jaanong Tona fa a tsene mo *five years* a mo arabele, a se ka a batla go arabela *only the two years.*



Le yone ya *fingerprints Mr Speaker*, ke boela gape kwa go yone gore kana *when we speak of criteria of being considered for this post, fingerprints* di mo teng. Jaanong ke utlwa Tona a re *criteria* eo, ga ke itse gore a ke ne ke mo utlwa sentle a re o kare ke ya sekole. Jaanong ke bua ka gore *for you to be considered, fingerprints form part of that*. Jaanong Tona a a tsepame mo go yone e, a arabele *fingerprints*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR MOHWASA: Ga ke itse ka *fingerprints*. Fa e le gore o kgatlhwa thata ke *fingerprints* ke ka ya go mmatlala karabo ya teng. Fela kwa ntleng ga gone moo Rre Kaizer, gongwe le gongwe ke tsaya gore fa go hirwa go simolola go sekwasekwa dikgang tse di tshwanang le tsa bo *fingerprints and others*. Fa e le gore o batla *clarification* ka kgang ya *fingerprints*, e a dumelang gore e setse kwa ntle mo karabong ke ka mo e batlela.

Ya 68 ya re *a total of 68 non-commission officers have benefited and progressed through this provision in the past five years. In the year 2024, 27 non-commissioned officers were enlisted as Officer Cadets in the Botswana Defence Force (BDF), and in 2025 41 non-commissioned officers were also enlisted through the same provisions. Fa o tsaya dipalo tsa 2024 o bo o kopanya le tsa 2025, it gives you 68, yo o mo neetsweng kwa godimo gotwe in the past five years. What I am saying is by implication, it says the other three years, mo go raya gore go ne go sena recruitment.*

STEAM EDUCATION MODEL

BRIG. D. MOKGWATHI (LETLHAKENG): asked the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to state, with special reference to the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) Government manifesto that talks to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM) as the model of the education system and the new education system, that is Education and Training Sector Strategic Plan (ETSSP) that the Government has rolled out:

- (i) if students will be able to sit for their examinations next year;
- (ii) if the Minister foresees any potential challenges; and if any,
- (iii) the mitigation plan(s) to be put in place right away to prevent any possible disaster.

MR SPEAKER: *O kae* Minister Leader of the House?

LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR MOHWASA): Nna ke itse fa *Minister* a le teng. Ke re ke kope sengwe *Mr Speaker, we have noted from the Office* ya *Leader of the House* gore go na le seemo se e leng gore fa gongwe *Ministers* bogolo jang ba ba senang bo *deputy*, ba a tshwarega. Ga ke itse gore re tlaa dira jang ka gore o ne a le kwa thulaganyong ya De Beers. *We are to write to Ministers and request because* dipotso fa di tla di feta ka *Office* ya *Leader of the House* gore fa dikarabo di tla, di nne di feta *and* ba nne ba bua le rona. Ke tsaya gore *that is something* se re batlang go se simolodisa go leka go ba gakolola gore le fa motho a seyo, yo mongwe a kgone gore a mo arabele dipotso. Go ne go ise go nne le *communication* epe ya gore ga a na go nna teng gompiano. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Ipaakanye *Honourable Minister* gore fa a seyo jaana go bo go na le yo a mo arabelang.

MR MOHWASA: We are working on that Mr Speaker.

BTO

MR L. LESEDI (SEROWE SOUTH): asked the Minister of Environment and Tourism to state:

- (i) when Botswana Tourism Organisation (BTO) was last audited and the results thereof;
- (ii) the criteria used to employ the Chief Executive Officer (CEO);
- (iii) how the Tourism Development Fund has been used since 2020 vis-a-vis income;
- (iv) if he is aware that the Department of Tourism does not have a Director since 2021; and
- (v) if he is aware that the department does not have a functional organisational structure since 2007.

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker*, potso ya ga Motlotlegi Rre Lesedi yo a neng a botsa gore BTO e dupilwe leng la bofelo, karabo ke gore ke ka 2017-2018 *financial year*.

Ya bobedi ya re *criteria* e e dirisitsweng go hira CEO ke efe? Gongwe ke supe gore ka nako eo *board* e ne ya dira *recommendation* ya gore go ka hirwa semangmang, mme *Cabinet* e bo e tsaya tshwetso ya go hira *the current* CEO.

Potso ya boraro yone e batla go itse gore Tourism Development Fund e ne e dirisiwa jang. *The question*



says, “*how the Tourism Development Fund has been used since 2020 vis-a-vis income.*” Gongwe ke supe fela gore madi a a neng a tsena mo nakong eo mo *the Tourism Development Fund* ke a a kana ka P306, 736, 883.10. Jaanong madi a a neng a dirisiwa mo go one a ke a a kana ka P228, 337, 432.00. Madi a a ne a dirisiwa thatathata mo ditirong tsa go leka go rutuntsha batho jaaka o itse gore go na le mo gotweng Tourism Industry Training Fund. Ke madi a e leng gore dikompone tse di neng di rutuntsha batho di ne di duelwa ka one.

Potso ya boraro; *of course* re supile fa *that breakdown* gore ka 2019-2020 go dirisitswe bokae, go ntshitswe bokae. Ka 2019-2020 go ntshitswe madi a a kana ka P53, 276, 575.00. 2020-2021 ga ntshiwa madi a a kana ka P4, 700, 610.00. Ya re ka 2021-2022 ga ntshiwa madi a a kana ka P63, 194, 773.00. 2022-2023 ga ntshiwa madi a a kana ka P25, 127, 076.93. *Then* 2023-2024 ga ntshiwa madi a a kana ka P64, 120, 912.00. 2024 to January 2025 ga ntshiwa madi a a kana ka P17, 917, 484.00. *This adds up to* P228, 337, 432. 69.

Potso ya gago ya bofelo ke gore *am I aware that the department does not have a Director since 2021?* Mr Speaker, gongwe ke supe fela gore mo nakong ya gompiano lephata le ga le na *Director* yo o *confirmed* ka boammaaruri. E ne ya re ka ngwaga wa 2022 ga tlhomiwa a *substantive Director* mme ya re ka 2023 *Director* yoo a bo a tlogela tiro ka bogodi. Go raya gore *ever since that time* lephata le le ntse le tsamaya ka *Directors* ba ba tshwarelelang, yo mongwe o tshwarelela nako e, fa nako ya gagwe ya go tshwarelela e fela go raya gore go tsena yo mongwe le ene o a tshwarelela fela ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Ke utlwa fa e le gore lephata le dirile maiteko gararo go leka go senka motho yo o ka nnang *substantive Director*, mme gape ke utlwa gotwe lephata le ne la se ka la nna *successful* mo thulaganyong eo.

Jaanong mme e rile fa ke goroga, gongwe ke supe jalo gore le nna ke tshwenyegile jaaka wena, mme ke ne ka kopa gore go diragale gore *substantive Director* wa lephata a kgone *to be appointed*. Motlotlegi, ke dingwe tse di leng mo *dashboard* ya me tse e leng gore ke tlaa bona gore di a diragala ka bofefo.

Ke boammaaruri mo potsong ya bofelo gore lephata le le ntse le bereka le sena a *functional structure* since 2007 fa le sale le kgaogangwa le BTO. Go na le maiteko a go leka gore *structure* se se nne teng. Le mo malobeng jaana, ke ne ke na le *meeting* le lephata go leka go bona gore dilo tse di a diragala. Ke batla go go rurifaletsa motlotlegi gore morago ga phuthago ya teng, ke setse

lephata morago go bona gore go tshwanelwa ke gore go nne le a *functional structure* sa *this organisation*. Gape ke batla gore ke supe gore go a itshupa, le wena o a bona gore dilo di ntse di sa itekanela sentle. Ke na le maikaelelo otlhe a go bona gore botsogo bo a boela, dilo di tsena mo tseleng e e siameng. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR LESEDI: *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga Mr Speaker, mma ke leboegele karabo. Nnyaa mme motlotlegi o e arabile. Ke ne ke batla gore o tlhomamise gore fa o supa fano o tlhalosa gore la bofelo go dupiwa ke ka 2017/2018, gongwe o bolele gore mo dingwageng tse *eight* kana tse *seven* tse di fano, go ntse go diragala eng fa re lebile *audit* ya lephata?

Ya bofelo e nna gore kana fa re bua ka gore ga gona *structure* since 2007, a o a lemoga gore ke dingwaga tse di lesome le boferabobedi? Go ka raya gore rraetsho re solofela gore o re solofetse gore o tlaabo o kgonne mo nakong e e kae, ka gore dilo go raya gore di ntse di sa tsamaye sentle jaaka o solofetsa? A o solofetsa gore o tlaa re thusa mo nakong e khutshwanyane? Ke a leboga.

MR MMOLOTSI: Mr Speaker, ke batla gore gape ke boelele go supa gore botsogo go lebega bo ntse bo seyo, mme fa bo ntse bo seyo, go mo go rona jaanong, go mo go nna go bona gore bo nna teng. Gore go bo go na le *eight years* go sena *audit* e e ntseng e diragala, ke mathata a *board*. Go raya gore go ntse go na le mathata a *board*. Mo nakong ya gompiano, ke eme ka dinao go bona gore *board* e e nna teng ka bofefo jo bo tlhokafalang. Go dingalo, ke dilo tse e leng gore Mr Speaker, re tlaa di emela ka dinao go bona gore *board* e a dirwa gore *audits* tse, di kgone gore di salwe morago.

Board ya Botswana Tourism Organisation, ke dingwagangwaga tse di ntsi go ntse go nna go na le mathata a le a le a. Mo nakong ya gompiano, *Board* ya rona ya BTO e na le maloko fela a le mane. So, go raya gore re tshwanelwa ke gore re tlatse maloko a mane ka a matlhano ka gore ke *board* ya maloko a le *nine*. Ke mo maitekong a go dira jalo motlotlegi, ke go solofetsa gore e tlaa re mo nakong e e tlang re baakanye. Re tlaa baakanya sengwe le sengwe, *including even the last question*, ya *structure* sa *organisation* ya Department of Tourism (DoT) gore re tle re kgone gore jaanong re dire ditirelo tse di siameng ka tsela e e siameng. Bokoa jone bo bo ntsi.

INACCURACIES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY



MR P. M. MOSANANA (KANYE EAST): asked the Minister of Environment and Tourism:

- (i) if he is aware of the inaccuracies in the Department of Meteorology and that they predicted that there will be plenty rain from November 2024 which did not happen thus causing a big inconvenience to farmers as what they expected did not happen; and if so,
- (ii) what measures will be put in place to avoid future inconveniences.

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI): *Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Potso ya ga Motlotlegi Mosanana e batla go itse gore;*

- (i) I am aware of the inaccuracies in the Department of Meteorology and that they predicted that there will be plenty rain from November 2024 which did not happen thus causing a big inconvenience to farmers as what they expected did not happen; and if so,
- (ii) what measures will be put in place to avoid future inconveniences?

The answer is, the Ministry of Environment and Tourism, through the Department of Meteorological Services, continually monitors the state of the atmosphere and issues forecasts at the beginning of each season. These forecasts are intended to benefit policy-making decisions and planning in the climate-sensitive sectors of the economy, including agriculture. They are also used to manage risks arising from climate variability and climate change.

The current seasonal outlook for the year 2024/2025 was issued in September 2024 and in summary, stated that:

- (a) A slow start of the season is expected but it will improve as the season progresses.
- (b) Largely normal to below-normal precipitation for the months of October to December 2024.
- (c) Largely normal to above-normal precipitation from November 2024 to the end of the season.
- (d) Weak La Niña is favoured throughout the forecast period and lastly overall, a wetter season than the previous one is anticipated.

Mr Speaker, let me, therefore, update this House that the rainfall forecast issued by the Department of Meteorological Services did not have any inaccuracies. Let me further state that rainfall in October 2024 was below normal, with high temperatures as predicted.

Rainfall started in November 2024 but was mostly confined to the Southern, South East, North East and Bobirwa Districts. During this period, notable rainfall reports were from Borolong Primary School near Francistown, which received the high total of 98.0 mm, followed by Batlokwa National Primary School in Tlokweg at 94 mm, Motopi Primary School at 85.5 mm and Tshesebe Primary School at 81 mm. Over the rest of the country, rainfall was below average during October and November 2024.

For three weeks, an extended dry spell and heat waves were experienced from the end of November 2024 into the beginning of December 2024. Rainfall was abundant thereafter, with several places in the eastern parts of the country affected by flooding. Normal to above-normal rains are still expected throughout the country until the end of the season.

Mr Speaker, it must be noted that seasonal forecasts are relevant only for seasonal time scales and relatively large areas. Local and month-to-month variations may occur as the season progresses. Users were, therefore, strongly advised to contact the Department of Meteorological Services for interpretation of these forecasts, finer details, and additional guidance. Furthermore, forecasts are, by definition, probabilistic rather than deterministic.

Mr Speaker, I wish to make it known to this Honourable House that there still exists limitations in science to accurately predict the actual day of the onset and cessation of rainfall for specific seasons by all concerned, including experts in the Department of Meteorological Services. However, research into the matter is being pursued. Therefore, the ministry is working towards ensuring continuous training of our experts and the use of the latest technologies and equipment to give Batswana the most accurate weather and climate information, which will reduce the inconveniences that inaccurate forecasts can cause. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR MOSANANA: *Supplementary. Ke a go leboga Minister. Ke go leboga Mr Speaker. Nna ke le fano Minister, ke a go utlwa, mme kana e ne e re fa re bua ka dikgang tse di ntseng jaana tse di amang balemi, bontsi jwa bone ke batho ba bagolo ga ba itse gore fa o*

bua ka Sekgoa jalo wa reng. Ke raya gore bagaetsho re tshwanetse gore e re fa re le fa, re itse gore bone ba re ba boletsang dipotso tse, ga ba utlwe. Ke raya gore nna gone ke go utlwile *Minister*, mme bone ga ba go utlwa *at least*, o ne o tshwanetse gore bogolo o *summarise* ka Setswana gore ba kgone go go utlwa. *I thank you.*

MR MMOLOTSI: Ke a utlwa. Gongwe ka bokhutshwanyane fela ke tlhalose gore kana lephata fa go simologa selemo, ba ntsha ditebelopele tsa gore seemo sa pula se tlaa nna ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Le mo nakong e re buang ka ga yone, e ne ya re ka *September* ga ntshiwa tebelopele *yone* eo ya gore dipula di tlaa tsamaya ka tsela e e ntseng jang. O ne o tlhalosa gore ga go a tsamaya sentle ka gore go nnile le go se ka ga nna le *information* e e *correct*, re supa fa e le gore mme boammaaruri ke gore *information* e e neng ya tswa, tota ga se gore ga e na boammaaruri. Boammaaruri ke gore go diragetse fela jaaka re ne re tlhalositse gore pula e tlaa simolola go le bonya, mme e tlaare kwa pele, e bo e simolola go nna ntsi. Re ne ra tlhalosa gore go tlaa tsamaya ka tsela e e ntseng jang le jang, mme go tsamaile fela ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Kgang ya merwalela, re ne ra e lebelo pele, mme merwalela e ne ya kgona gore e nne teng. Gape re supa gore fa gongwe go nna bokete ka gore re dirisa maranyane. Go nna bokete gore re kgone go bua *exactly* boammaaruri jo bo wetseng ka lebaka la gore re dirisa maranyane a e leng gore fa gongwe ga a kgone gore neela *information* e e *right*. Maranyane a a berekela gautshwanyane le boammaaruri. Re mo thulaganyong ya go bona gore batho botlhe ba ba lebelelang dilo tse, re ba ruta le go gaisa, go diragatsa gore ba tle ba kgone gore go ya kwa pele, ba kgone gore ba bale dikgang tsa *machines* tsa bone sentle gore ba ntshe maduo a a siametseng balemi. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Honourable Members the time for questions is over. Honourable Members, I understand that the Minister for State President has a paper to table.

MINISTER FOR STATE PRESIDENT (MR MOHWASA): Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, before I proceed, let me first request to withdraw the waiver for an extension of four months that we presented on the 14th January this year.

TABLING OF A PAPER

The following paper was tabled:

AN EXTENSION BY SEVEN MONTHS FROM THE 1ST APRIL 2025 TO OCTOBER 2025 OF

THE SECOND TRANSITIONAL NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (TNDP) (APRIL 2023 – MARCH 2025)

(Minister for State President)

MR SPEAKER: Order! Honourable Members, we go to the Appropriation.

APPROPRIATION (2025/2026) BILL, 2025 (NO. 2 OF 2025)

Second Reading

(Resumed Debate)

MR SPEAKER: Order! Honourable Members, the debate on this Bill is resuming. When the House adjourned yesterday, Honourable Dr Unity Dow, Mother of the House was on the floor debating and she is left with 28 minutes and 57 seconds.

DR DOW (KGATLENG WEST): Thank you Mr Speaker. May I approach the ... (Inaudible)...

MR SPEAKER: You may, Mother of the House.

DR DOW: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga Your Honour the Vice President (VP) ka *speech* se o se dirileng. Fa re kgaogana maabane *Mr Speaker*, e ne e le gone ke simololang, mme e ne e re ke ise ke ye kwa kgannyeng e ke neng ke bua ka yone maabane, ke leboge Bakgatla. La ntlha ke lemoge Bakgatla ba ba ntseng ba le mo merwaleleng ba le mo mathateng, ke re re na le lona, tsogang, ke a itse gore malwapa a lona a ntse jang, bangwe ke a bone, ke a itse gore e tlaa nna dikgwedi pele ga le boela kwa mannong a neng le le mo go one, botshelo jo le neng le bo tshela, re tlaa nna re le thusa, re tlaa nna re kopana.

Gape ba ba latlhegetsweng ke matshelelo kwa mafelong a mangwe, le bone a mewa ya bone e robale ka kagiso.

Mr Speaker, mma ke simolole fa ke neng ke le teng maabane e bile ke lemoge *Honourable* Phologolo maabane, o ne a tlhalosetsa Batswana gore fa gotwe *deficit budget* go tewa eng. Gongwe gore ba Kgatlang ba tle ba e tlhaloganye sentle, fa re lebile *budget* e e fa pele ga rona e, ke e e leng gore VP, e leng gape *the Minister of Finance*, o ne a e tlhalosa gore *it is a deficit budget*. Ke ne ka leka go tlhalosa maabane tota fa gotwe *budget* ke *deficit*, kana kwano re bua Sekgoa, go tewa eng fa gotwe *budget* ke *budget* ya tlhalelo.

Budgets di mefuta meraro, mme gore Mokgatla a ntlhaloganye sentle, mma ke riane. La ntlha o tlaabo



o kwalolola tse o di batlang, o simolola o re ke batla tsela ya Dikgonnye, o a e kwala, o e baya tlhwatlhwa, ke batla tsela ya Kgomodiatshaba, o a e kwala, o e baya tlhwatlhwa, ke batla gore *pot holes* tse di fa gare ga Artesia le Mochudi di thibiwe di tlaa bolaya batho, e bile di bolaya batho, o baya tlhwatlhwa. Gape ke batla gore *rubbish mountain* e e fa Pilane ele, e tswe fale e isiwe go sele ka gore ga e tlhole e le *landfill* ke thaba, e bile gape e a phephetha, e a nkga, e tsenya bolwetse, ke e baya tlhwatlhwa go e fudisa. Ke batla sepatela sa Deborah Retief Memorial (DRM), ke se baya tlhwatlhwa. Ke batla gape gore metsi a tlogele go tlhabela kwa Rasesa le Bokaa, a tlhabela gongwe le gongwe, o baya tlhwatlhwa. Dilo tse tsotlhe o tlaabo o di baya tlhwatlhwa o bo o bua gape gore e bile go ne go na le morwalela maabane, le one ke o baya tlhwatlhwa. Le fa e le gore ga o ise o nne teng, o ka nna wa nna teng. O bo o bua gape gore Motswedi Rehabilitation Centre o makgasa, *ceilings* di tlaa wela bana, o baya tlhwatlhwa. A re re tlhwatlhwa eo ke P100.00. O a itse gore tota fela ke tlhokana le P100.00 gore dilo tse ke di dire, go tloga fa o bo isetšha mo dipateng, o fitlhela e le gore ke na le P50.00, o mmaya fale. O bo o leba kwa diteemaneng o kare gompiano, a kere o lebeletse kwa pele madi a gago mo pateng, gongwe ke tlaa bona P25.00 o mo tsenya mo pateng. E kare kwa Southern African Customs Union (SACU) ke tlaa bona P10.00 o mo tsenya mo pateng. Kgantele o a a kgobokanya. Gape o kare fale dikgomo di ne tsa rekwa kwa Botswana Meat Commission (BMC) le fa e kete e phuthlame jaana, mme e kare go na le thebe teng, gongwe o mmaya tlhwatlhwa. *Tourism*, o mmaya tlhwatlhwa. Golo fa, fa o re o a kopanya, o fitlhela e le gore o na le P100.00.

Jaanong fa o re o lebelela dilo tse o di batlang, dilo tse o tshwanetseng go di duelela, go a lekalekana ga go maswemaswe, o bo o nna le mo gotweng *a balanced budget* a bo o tshegatshega, mme legale o ntse o ipotsa gore e kare nkabo go ntse go setse sengwe. Go ka nna ga nna jaana, gore fa o ntse o kgobokanya jaana, fa o re wa re, o fitlhela o na le P150.00, mme o tlhoka P100.00 go raya gore o na le mo gotweng *a surplus budget*. Jaanong ya gompiano e re lebaganeng le yone, fa o kopanya dilo tse tsotlhe tse, o bo o re o kopanya madi a o a solofetseng le a o nang le one, o fitlhela e le gore o na le P80 ga o na P100, go raya gore *you have a deficit budget*. Jaanong o tshwanetse gore o siane fa o tswa fa gore P20 yo o setseng yo ke a go mo tsaya kae. Ke sone se ke tsayang gore se ne se buiwa maloba gone fa, ke go tlhalosetsa Mokgatla. Jaanong gatwe re na le *budget* ya tlhalelo, e go tshwanetseng ga sianwa gore go ye

go batliwa madi go thiba phatlha e. Jaaka re itse re ka tlhalosa gore, phatlha ga e thibithibiwe fela, ka go na le melao ya gore, a mme o ka ya go adima madi go sele a a kana ka eng, melao ya reng. Ke tsaya gore eo le yone o tlaa tla a ntse a le tlhalosetsa, *when debating* ba tlaa tlhalosa. Mme fela boammaaruri ke gore, Motswana re na le *budget* ya tlhalelo, fa re tswa fa go tshwanetse gore go ye go batliwa gore go ya go thibiwa kae. O itse gore kana fa go ntse jalo go raya gore sengwe se tlile go tlhabela. O ipotsa gore a ke tsela ya Dikgonnye, a ke Deborah Retief Memorial kana ke eng se e leng gore ga se ke se bona madi, ke fa dikai, ga ke reye gore di *in the plan*. Ke ne ke re ke simolole gone foo.

So fa maabane ba bangwe ba ne ba ntse ba bua “re ya ngweding,” ba bangwe ba re, “*we will make it,*” tota fela ke gore *there is optimism and pessimisms in one basket*. Golo mo go tlaa re Botswana ba go tlhologanye gore tota fela re na le tsholofelo mme gape re dumela gore re na le mathata. Motswana fa a reeditse jaana a bo a ipotsa gore, mme kana nna kwa mafelong a le *eight* ke ne ka utlwa maikano, ditshepiso le ditsholofelo, jaanong fa ke reeditse *budget* e ga ke itse gore di ntsenya fa kae. Motswana fa a reeditse fela fa e sale ka *September* go na le mafelo a *eight*, gongwe e bile a feta foo, a e leng gore o utlwile maikano a Puso e e busang. Ba utlwile maikano la ntlha fa go ipapadiwa *at the rallies*, “fa o ka mpha Puso go tlaa riana le jaana.” Ba utlwile gape la bobedi fa go ngangwa *across the country*, le tota fela gone kwa botautoneng, “fa o ka ntlhopho ke tlaa go fa P2,500, ke tlaa go fa *four*... ke tlaa go reng! ke tlaa go reng!” Ya re fa ba ntse ba ba utlwa gape ditshepiso tseo mo *manifesto* wa UDC gore fa o ka re tlhopho re tlile go go fa *this and that*. Batho ba opa diatla ba ya gone koo. Ba a utlwa gape maikano ao le maitlamo ao kwa Botswana Patriotic Front (BPF), akere gompiano ba mo Pusong, le bone ba tla ka one gore, fa o kare tlhopho go tlaa riana, fa o re tlhopho go tlaa riana, jaanong ba reeditse gore BPF ka gore e mo Pusong gompiano ba reng. Ra tla gone fa ga nna State of the Nation Address (SONA), ga nna ga nna ditshepiso, maikano le maitlamo mo SONA, kana jaanong eo ba setse ba utlwa ya bo *five*. Kgantele ba utlwa *Ministers*, kwa Dikgotleng Motlotlegi Motshegwa ke gopola a bua a re P1,800 o a tswa, e rile beke e e tlang *Minister* a re P1,400. Dilo tse batho ba a di reetsa, go ntse fela jalo. Ba utlwa gape gone fa mo *Budget Speech* Mothusi Tautona le ene a baya ditshepiso le ditsholofetso tse a di bayang. Kwa bofelong ba a utlwa gape le mo diphuthegong tsa Dikgotla le *in the debates* gone mo. Ke tlaa go fa sekai, *Minister* o rile, Vice President (VP) o rile *3 per cent* ke kgolo ya itsholelo, Rre Atamelang a re ke *10 per cent*...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

DR DOW: Nnyaa Hansard e teng ntata, e re o tobetsa foo o bo o le *sure* ka gore Hansard e teng, o rile 10 *per cent*, le *manifesto* o rile 10 *per cent*, o se ka wa itatola...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Laughter!)...

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE (MR ATAMELANG): On a point of order. *Ke ne ke re* the Budget Speech... *nnyaa* she is misquoting me, I said the target was 10 per cent for five years, but the VP *o ne a bua gore ke* 3.3 per cent. That is what I said, I never said *gore* 10 per cent in 12 months. *Ga re ise re digele* le 12 months, so please do not mislead the nation. *Ke yone* narrative *e ke neng ke bua ka yone, gore lona le le ka koo le...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Do not debate.

MR ATAMELANG: No, I am defending my position sir. I am defending my position and the Speaker has allowed me to do so. So do not mislead the nation *le bua gore ra re...ga re bue mafoko ao*, no please! *e bile ke batla* apology in that regard. Thank you.

MR SPEAKER: *Mother of the House*, a re ga a ise a ko a bue jalo.

DR DOW: Mr Speaker, *a re ene o rile*, VP *o rile* 3 per cent, manifesto *wa re* 10 per cent in 10 years, *ga ke itse gore ene a reng?*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Five years.

DR DOW: *Five years*, go raya gore ene ga a re sepe, ga a bua sepe. Setšhaba, Rre Atamelang maloba ga le a utlwa sentle, ga ke a mo utlwa sentle, ga a ise a ko a re e tlaa gola ka 10 *per cent* o rile VP a re e tlaa gola ka 3 *per cent*, manifesto *wa re* 10 *per cent*. Ene ga a ise a rialo, ke boela mafoko ao morago. Fa e le gore o mo utlwile jaaka nna, nna le wena a re kope maitshwarelo mo go Rre Atamelang, ga re a mo utlwa sentle.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification Mr Speaker.

DR DOW: *I do not take any clarification Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker*, ke ne ke re ka ditsholofetso tse dintshintsi tse, tse e leng gore ga go na ope yo o ka di latolang, go na le *inconsistency*, ga go na tomagano mo go se se neng se ntse se buiwa kwa le se se buiwang mo Ntlong e. Kgakololo ya me fela e ne e le gore, gongwe UDC, BPF, *I guess* le Rre Dikoloti le *Specially Elected Members of Parliament*, ka gore...akere ba tla ka megopolo e e

farologaneng gompieno ba e tshela mo kgetsing, a ba kopane ba bo ba tla le *a new manifesto*, e ka se ka ya nna *an election manifesto*, e ka nna *a governing manifesto*. O a bona. *Manifesto* o e leng gore motho fa a o tsaya o a itse gore go tlaa nna P4k kana ga go ke go nna P4k, go tlaa nna P1 400, ga go ke go nna P1 800, go tlaa nna P2 *point*, o e leng gore gompieno...buka e le nngwe fela, ga e a tshwanela go nna le *pages* tse dintsi. Jaanong tshoboko e nne gone foo, e bo e le yone *our reference point*, gore ditsholofetso di mo bukeng ele e tala *dated February 2025*, ka gore re ne ra fitlhela dilo di ntse jaana, re bo re baakanya. Ka gore mo fa le ka tswelela go ntse jaana Batswana ga ba sa tlhole ba itse gore ba reetse eng. Go nna go ntse gotwe re fitlhetse go sena madi...sobokang ditsholofetso le papamale mo, le tenyalele fela mo go tse le itseng gore di tlaa diragala. Ke re go nne jalo...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

DR DOW: Ee, go tenyalala ke go siana, o ntse jaana. Go botlhokwa gore go nne jalo ka gore, Tautona e rile fa a tla gone fa o ne a re solofetsa tsela e ntšha. O ne a re solofetsa tsela e ntšha e e leng gore ke ya *human rights*. Mme se se tona o ne a bua, e bile a kaya leboko lengwe a bua gore...leboko la teng ke tsaya gore lona ba le dirileng Sekgoa kwa sekolong le a le itse, le gotweng *“the road not travelled.”*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Nnyaa, *the road not taken*.

DR DOW: Heela! Ee, kana le nna ka rialo, *the road not taken*. Mmoki a re ke fitlhetse ditsela di farologana, akere, *on a yellow road*. A re tsela e nngwe go ne go supa gore e bodule, batho bontsi ba tsamaya ka yone, ke tsaya gore ba tsamaya ka maoto le ka dikoloi. E ne e bodule tota, a bona gore e e bodule, morafe o tsamaya fa. A bona e nngwe e e bileng matlhare a ne a wetse mo go yone, e e sa butswang mo go kalokalo. A ipotsa gore a ke tseye e batho ba e itseng e kana ke tseye e e keteng batho ga ba e itse. Mme ene ga a ka a dira jaaka mmoki yoo, o ne a tsaya...kana ka Sekgoa a re, o ne a ratha sekgwa jaanong. Akere go ne go na le tsela e e boduleng le tsela e e sa butswang thata, ee, a bo a ratha sekgwa, akere o ne a beile mo tseleng e ntšha, ke gore *the road not seen*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Untravelled.

DR DOW: Ae *the road not seen*, o ne a tsaya e e sa bonweng ke ope. Jaanong fa o tsaya tsela e e sa bonweng ke ope o supa dilo tse disha, akere, o ya go



fitlhela dikgwetlho moo ka go raya gore ga go na ope yo o kileng a feta foo. Jaanong potso ke gore, a mme UDC e tsere tsela e ntšha?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

DR DOW: Nnyaa, a re ba tshwanetse ba se rathe, akere ga go batliwe go tsamaya ka ele, ba tshwanetse ba se rathe, ba tseye dilepe, okapi le dinanchaku, ba rathe sekgwa, ba feele dikgoreletsi. Dikgoreletsi tseo ke tse gotweng bo mang *Mr Speaker*, tse e leng gore tota fela Tautona fa a bua a re ene ga a tsamaye ka tsela ele ya bo Masisi, bo...

MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR MODISE): *Clarification.* Ke a leboga. Ke go reeditse sentle motlotlegi, mme gongwe Setswana sa teng se a ntatla. Go ratha sekgwa ka fa ke tlhaloganyang ka teng o kare go tewa go lathega fela o ya go sele. Mme ka fa ke go reeditse ka teng o kare o batla gore UDC e bula tsela fa go neng go sena tsela teng, e seng go ratha sekgwa. Gongwe o ka ntlhalosetsa. ke a leboga.

DR DOW: *Thank you very much.* Nnyaa ke ne ke tsaya gore ke ne ke sa reye gore o a lathega. Akere go raya gore o itse kwa a yang teng, mme ga go na tsela, go raya gore a tseye selepe a rathe sekgwa se, ee, akere, a se rathe. A tswe mo ditseleng tse di bonalang tse, a tlhamalale mo go ya gagwe e ntšha. Jaanong akere o tsamaya a e bula, re mo setse morago kana kwa a yang teng. Jaanong potso ke gone gore, a mme sekgwa sone o a se ratha fa re bua jaana...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

DR DOW: Wa re a bule tsela?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

DR DOW: Nnyaa, ga ke tlhole ke na le *clarification*, 16 minutes to go. Tautona a re o tlaa bula tsela e ntšha gakere, a ratha ditlhare tsele. Fa a bona noga a e kgaole tlhogo ka okapi, fa a bona motho yo a sa siamang, a betse ka dichaka a ye kwa pele. Jaanong ka re fa re bona, a mme Tautona ene le lona, a le mo tseleng eo. Potso, gakere. Ga le ka ke la bula tsela e ntšha, le sa fenose se se neng sa diga ba ba neng ba le foo.

Kgang ya ntlha ntlha fela, fa o bua ka *human rights*, o simolola ka *the rule of law*. Batho ba ba neng ba le fa pele ga rona ba ba rekileng Tautona Lodge e seng ka fa tshwanelong, ba ntse ba teng. Le tlaa bula tsela e ntšha jang? Batho ba ba neng ba ntse ba tshwara *left, right and centre* fa, ba sa rate Directorate on Corruption and

Economic Crime (DCEC) le Directorate on Intelligence and Security (DIS) ba di dira jaaka di ne di ntse, ba ntse ba gone foo. Tota mme le bula tsela jang, le ntse le na le morafe ole, la ba phutha jang kwa tseleng ele la tsamaya ka bone. Le dira eng le batho bone ba, ka gore kana ngwao ya *corruption*, ya go latlha melao le go dira jalo jaaka go ne go dirwa, ga e tswe kwa legodimong, e mo mothong. Ene motho yo o neng a kokoane a *fabricate case* ya ga Butterfly, o ntse o teng. Motho yo o neng a tshwara Matsheka, o ntse o teng. Motho yo o neng a bofa DCEC, o ntse o teng motho le batho ba. A le ka bula kgoro e ntšha tota, ka batho ba ba latlheleng batho ba gompiano jaana ba latlheleng, *that is why* ba tlogetse tsela e ba neng ba tsamaya ka yone.

Ke le tlhalosetse gore ke eng go le botlhokwa gore...

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF WATER AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT (MR MOTSAMAI):

Procedure. *Mr Speaker*, ka bonako jo bo rileng fela ke re, tota ke tsaya gore Puso e ntšha *as a matter of procedure*, e tlhalositse gantsintsi gore go na le *report* e e tlaa dirwang ya *forensic audit*, e e tseletseng. Dilo tsotlhe tse Mma Dow a ipelaetsang ka tsone, gore a re ka tswelela ka batho ba ba nang le melato, ba ba dirileng melato gompiano, ga di mo tseye sentle ka fa a buang ka teng. O a re belaela ka fa a buang ka teng, mme re tlhalositse gore re mo tseleng, tsamaiso ya rona ke ya *forensic audit*. Dilo tse a buang ka tsone, di ya go tswa mo teng.

MR SPEAKER: *Honourable Motsamai, certainly* ga se *procedure*. O supa ngongorego fela ya gore tota maikaelelo a lona ke eng. Kana fa o re *procedure*, o raya gore o dule mo tsamaisong. Jaanong o mo tsamaisong.

DR DOW: *Thank you very much Mr Speaker.* Boammaruri ke gore, ga ke reye gore le dire dilo jaaka Trump, mme re ka bo re setse re bona. Rona re bona leoto fela, ga re bone gore le ya kae, ka gore *budget* e re buang ka yone e, tota *it finances projects* tsa ga Domkrag. Go se molato, gakere go na le *continuity*. Barutabana ba tshwanetse gore ba duelwe, ka gore fa le duelela dilo tse di mo *plan* go siame, mme re tshwanetse gore re bone ka ditiro tsa lona, tse di *possible* le fa go sena madi, gore batho ba ba ya kae. Ga ke dumele gore ka boammaaruri...

MR MONAGENG: *Elucidation.* Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, tota nnete e a ratega. Ke dumalana le Mma Dow, le a nkutlwa. Ke dumalana le ene gore, re ntshe tsela e bonale, mme ke go raya ke

re, se re felele pelo motho yo montle. Ke dikgwedi tse tharo fela, re santse re tlaa bona tse di botoka Member of Parliament (MP). *Thank you.*

DR DOW: Ke a leboga. Go na le dikgang tse pedi tse ke tshwanetseng gore ke di akgelele mo kgannyeng e o e buang fa o re ke se ka ka go felela pelo. Selo sa ntlha mma ke go fe sekai, ke gore fa o fuduga mo ntlong o tsena mo ntlong e ntšha, gantsi ditiragalo tsa bogodu di diragala gone foo. Gakere ke gone o tlhomang ditlhako, *security* sa gago ga se ise se itshetlele, ga o itse batho ba ba tsenang, a yo o tlile go gokelela metsi kana jang, bogodu bo nna gone foo. Jaanong fa le ntse le diega ka batho ba, ba itshopho ka lona. Mma ke go bolelele gore, go ne go na le monna a nna gone fa, ga a tlhole a le teng. Ba ne ba itshopho ka ene, o a utlwa. Fa ba itshopho ka wena, kwa ba leng teng ba hira ngwana wa gago kwa DIS wena, kamoso fa o re thaa! ba itshophile ka wena. Fa o santse o re thaa! mmangwanaago ba mo fa madi, ke gore kgantele ba go direla *favours* tse o sa di itseng. Fa o ya go thanya o fitlhela e le gore batho ba o mo dipateng tsa bone ga gona gore o ka tlhola o tswa. Ntshang batho ba mo dipateng, noga ga re e go lomele kwa matlhakung kwa, e se ka ya go lomela mo pateng o bo o imakatsa. Ya re o e latele kwa matlhakung, o re ke e fitlhetse kwa matlhakung, e ntoma ke ile matlhakung. Jaanong noga le e tsaya le e tsenya mo pateng, kamoso le tsoga le imakatsa le re ga le itse gore e le lomile jang.

Mma ke le bolelelele gore batho ba *manage intelligence network*, ba le ithatisa jang. Ba tlile go le fa dilo tse di monatenyana. O itse gore sephiri se monate jang Vice President (VP), gompiano jaana ba kokoanya diphiri tsa rona fa, kamoso ba a di go fa. Ke tlile go go seba *on the phone* VP, *which is normal*. Mongwe le mongwe o a sebiwa, *especially a leader*. Kamoso o ya go utlwa ke bua le semangmang ke re VP ga ke itse gore ke eng a riana, VP a ntse jaana, ke go seba. O motho, golo mo go ya go go kgopisa. Kamoso fa o sa dire tiro e o tshwanetseng go e dira. Masisi o tsere *five years* a tanyaletse fa morago ga ga Khama, a siiwa ke nako a se ka a itse pharologanyo ya dilo tse di *personal*. Dintwa tse di ka fa tse, a di tsenya mo mmusong. Boammaaruri ke gore lantlha ba direla batho *favours, it is a fact*, fa e le gore ga o ntumele *State President*, tsamaya o ye *to audit staff* sa DIS, o bone gore batho ba ba hirilwe leng, ke bana ba bo mang, ba hirilwe jang, ba *progress* jang gompiano jaana. Kamoso o bo o tla ka *statement*, o tlaa tla o mpolelela gore golo kwa ke gone kwa *favours* di direlwang teng, gore go didimadiwe batho. Ba tsile go go tsaya Rre Tshere...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure.

DR DOW: Nnyaa, ga ke kaye ka wena. *Withdrawn.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Nnyaa, ke *procedure* fela.

DR DOW: Ehe.

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR TSHERE): *Procedure.* Ee *Mr Speaker*, kana ke reeditse Mma Dow sentle. Jaanong ke tsaya gore o batla go re tshasa..., gatwe ke eng...

MR SPEAKER: O le kokometsa lekapi la motsotsojane.

MR TSHERE: Ehe!

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Tshere, she is warning you. It is a warning.

MR TSHERE: *No, it would appear like* o bua gore rona re le Puso e ntšha, e kare ga re lemoge dilo tse a di buang. Jaanong ke gone mo ke reng, gone moo ke go re tshasa lekapi la motsotsojane, ka gore rona re a itse, re a lemoga se a se buang. Jaanong ke gore o re felela pelo jaaka motho a setse a buile. Ke sone se jaanong a tlaa re marang dipuo a re, le belaele gore kamoso jaanong ngwana wa gago o tlaa hirwa, go rileng, go rileng.

Ka fa tsamaisong ya rona, ka fa re tlhaloganyang dilo ka teng jaaka bakaulengwe ba setse ba tlhalositse, go na le *audit* e e setseng e le teng, e e tlang. E e yang *to audit* mongwe le mongwe, ga e ye *to audit* fela ba ba busang kana ba ba neng ba busa, e ya *to audit* le rona tota. Jaanong ga go reye gore rona *we are immune to that*.

Se se nkgakgamatsang gape se sengwe ke gore, kana bakaulengwe fa ba ntse ba bua jaana, ke a bona gore ba ne ba batla gore re ka bo re ne re itlhaganetse ka bonako, mme kana re Puso e e tsamaisang dilo ka ditshwanelo tsa batho. Jaanong ke ipotsa gore, kana mo nakong e e sa fediseng pelo Mma Dow, dilo tsotlhe bo P4000 le tse dingwe re tlaabong re di dirile, gongwe mo dikgweding tse tharo. Fa o akanya, le tlaabo lona jaanong le bua eng. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Nnyaa, *certainly* ga se *procedure* Honourable Tshere. Ga le dumalane, ene a re siang koo, “bodiba jo bo jeleng ngwana wa ga mmago, e re o bo bona o bo dikologe.” Ke se a se buang. Wena wa re o a bo bona e bile o beile dithulaganyo, *which is an argument that you are free to raise, but certainly I do not think she is imputing any improper motive on you.* *Argument* ya gagwe ke gore tshabang koo.



DR DOW: Thank you Mr Speaker. Gape ke ne ke re, le nna le bua gore go tlaa nna *audit*, go tlaa nna *audit*, betsho, simololang ka *judgements* tsa *the Court of Appeal* tse di tlhamaletseng tse e leng gore ga go tlhokafale gore o bale *audit*. Go builwe, le batla go bua mang fa go sa bue makgotlatshekelo? Go na le *judgements* tse di ntsintsi tse di buang gore motho yole o tshwanetse a sekisiwe. E seng ene fela, batho ba bantsi, di baleng, le bo le tsaya tshwetso.

Motswana fa a reeditse o mmolelela gore motho o ne a tsamaile a ya go bofa DCEC, lekgotla le le tonatona, motho yoo o ne a le phoso. Gompieno le santse le tlile go dira *audit* ka yone, ga ke itse. Mma ke tswe mo go eo, ke le reyeng ke re, *I am warning you* gore kgantele le tlaabo le le mo diretseng. Batho ba ba botlhaletlhale ba tsenya wena. Kamoso o ka nna wa fitlhela e le gore ngwana wa mongwe gone fa, ba ne ba mo file sefofane sa DIS a etetse kwa Uganda kgotsa Kenya, wena o sa itse. Kamoso fa o utlwa, ga go na gore o ka reng. Fa o tsena mo ntlong, tswala difensetere ka bofefo o itse gore go na le botlhabetsi gone foo.

Mma ke arabe ya gago e o reng fa le sena go nna le e fa batho P4 000, P 2 500, P1 800, le ba fa mananeo, mananeo, tota re tlile go bua ka eng. Go tlaabo go raya gore le re utlwile. Go tlaabo go siame.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Murmurs)...

DR DOW: Nnyaa, ga go a nna jalo. Le kwadile gore le ya go dira ka *November*. Fa o bua ka kgang eo, o tlaa itsenya mo mathateng ka gore le kwadile gore golo mo go ya go dirwa ka *November*. Motlotlegi Kenewendo a itse, Vice President (VP) a itse, Tautona a itse, le wena o itse, Motlotlegi Maele a itse, Motlotlegi Dikoloti le ba batho botlhe ba ba kileng ba tsena mo Palamenteng, ba itse gore ga go ka ke ga diragala ka *November*.

MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (MR RAMAOTWANA): *On a point of order. Honourable Member* a re, re kwadile ka *November* mme ke solofela gore maloba gape ke emeletse ka re *manifesto* wa rona ke o, ga go na fa o kwadileng teng gore sennanne se ya go diragala ka *November*.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Murmurs)...

MR RAMAOTWANA: Gatwe re kwadile. Ka re, *manifesto* ga go na fa o kwadileng teng o re, *November*. Ke *manifesto* o e leng gore *social contract* ya rona ke *five years*. Re ya go o dira ka fa re kwadileng ka teng. Ga re a kwala re re re dira sengwe le sengwe ka *November*.

MR SPEAKER: Remember that this issue is not new. The argument e ke utlwang Honourable Dow a e bua ke gore le ka tswa le kwadile se le se kwadileng; *your manifesto pledges*. Mo go bueng ga lona, a le mo diphuthegong tsa dipolotiki, tsa Dikgotla kana tsa eng, go na le kwa...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

MR SPEAKER: That is the argument Honourable Ramaotwana gore le ka tswa le kwadile, mme le na le gore fa le bua le batho kwa, le bo le re ka di kana, ka di kana, mme *manifesto* o sa rialo. *A case in point is e a neng a e bua ya ga Honourable Motshegwa* fa ke ntse ke mo reeditse sentle. E tsibogele *Mother of the House*.

DR DOW: Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ga ke ise ke re, Rre Motshegwa o rile *November*. Ka re, Rre Motshegwa o rile P1 800, e rile beke e e lateleng VP a bo a re P 1 400.

MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOTSHEGWA): *On a point of clarification.* Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Kgang e ke e thatswitse gape maloba fa go akgela Honourable Sedombo. Ke tlhalositse gore UDC *manifesto* e tlhalosa gore *tandabala* e tlaa nna P1 800, e bile ke sone se re se solofeditseng, se tlaa diragala. Ka tlhalosa gore go supa gore Goromente o tsaya se ka tlhwaafalo, Khuduthamaga e tsere tshwetso ya gore *tandabala* e tlaa nna P1 800.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

MR MOTSHEGWA: A ko o reetse Hikuama, ga ke itse gore batho ba kwa ga lona ba a itse gore o dingalo jaana. Mr Speaker, ke ne ke re o mpuele le Rre Hikuama, jaanong o itshwara jaaka ma*Standard* 1.

MR SPEAKER: Tswelela, o jela motho nako.

MR MOTSHEGWA: Ee rra. Ke bo ke tlhalosa gore Khuduthamaga e tsere tshwetso ya gore *tandabala* ke P1 800. Fa go dirwa *budget* ya gompieno, go bo go lemotshega gore ka mabaka a itsholelo fa e leng teng gompieno, ga re ka ke ra kgona gore e nne P 1 800, e tlaa nna P1 400. Re mo tseleng ya go ya kwa go P1 800.

Ka bo ka tlhalosa gore go na le kgang ya 60 years. Re santse re bereka le ba *Ministry* wa *Labour* go phutha ba dingwaga tse di akaretsang gone foo. E tlaare fa nako eo e fitlha, go bo go nna jalo. Ke utlwa Batswana ba re ba itumeletse madi a a leng teng. Ba tlaa letela gore go tsamaele gone kwa a leng teng.

DR DOW: *Thank you very much.* Ke itumelela tlhaloso eo. O ntse o wela mo *point* e ya gore lantlha ke P1 400, kamoso ke P1 800.

Ya bobedi ke kgang ya gore tshephiso ga se e e mo pampiring fela ya *manifesto*, ke fa o bua ka molomo, o bua kwa *rally* le kwa Kgotleng. Se ke neng ke se bua fela ke gore, batho ba se ka ba tsietsega. Le soboke ditsholofetso tse, le di phuthe sentle le di kwale sentle. Ke sone fela se ke se buang. Gompiano wa re 60; ga re itse gore 60 o fa kae.

Go na le kgang e nngwe ya P300 *for example* ya bana. Ke tsaya gore eo *targeting* ya teng e tlaa tla e tlhatswiwa ke *the current Minister* gore ba tllile *to target it* jang. Ke dilo tse batho ba di reeditse, ba batla go di itse.

MR AARON: *On a point of order.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke bona gore kgang e, re tlaa nna re ntse re e boeela gantsintsi. *I understand* gore ka tsamaiso ya Ntlo e, *audio* ga di tshamekiwe. Go ne go ka nna jang ka gore *audio* tse re na le tsone, *for the purpose of clarification?* Wena o le *Speaker*, o re letle gore re di go fe. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Ga go na sepe se se duleng mo tseleng. Gone se a se buang ke gore, o ne a kile a ema a supa gore o na le *audio* e e neng e rurifatsa sengwe se go neng go latolwa gore se builwe. Ke bo ke mo raya ke re, tselo ya teng ke go tsena kwa go *Speaker* pele ka gore ga ke ka ke ka letlelela ope go tshameka *audio* mo Palamenteng ke ise ke e utlwe. Ga ke ise ke bone ope kwa ofising. Tota mma ke re, ga go na tshwetso e ke kileng ka e tsaya ya gore go nne le *audio* e e tshwanetseng e tle kwa go nna.

DR DOW: Tanki *Mr Speaker*. Ke tsaya gore Batswana ba reeditse kwa ntle, itshamekeleng *audios* tse le di itseng tsa ditsholofetso koo, le tlhole le di gasa. Re bone tse di ganetsang se re se buang le tse di dumalanang le sone. Le tshotse maranyane Batswana, gasang *audios* tsa maikano le ditsephiso gore e ne e le e gotweng mang.

Mma ke bue kgang e nngwe ka bokhutshwane pele ga ke ya kwa kgannyeng ya me ya bofelo ya ditshwanelo. Maloba e rile mongwe a bua fale, a tlhalosa gore ke eng *manifesto* wa UDC o ntse jaana. A bo a re, tota fela Rre Saleshando o ka bo a sa o itatole ke wa gagwe, le Rre Tshere a re, ee, ke wa gagwe. Ke ne ke re lantlha a a opelwe diatla gore o kile a kwala *manifesto* ka 2019.

La bobedi ke re Rre Tshere, tota Motswana fa a reeditse, o mo raya o re o ne wa manolola *manifesto* wa 2019

wa o tlovisa *five years* o bo o re o ka o dirisa ka 2024, tota wa re a reng? Ke tsaya gore fa e le gore VP o ne a reeditse kwa ofising ya gagwe, o ne a itshwara tlhogo a ipotsa gore batho ba ba reng ka gore ga go na gore ke ka tsaya *manifesto* wa 2019, re nnile le dibetso tse tharo ka 2020, sebetso sa COVID-19 se e leng gore *any plans* tsa 2019 *had to be re-done*, ga o ka ke wa solofetsa ditsholofetso ka 2019 ka 2024. Sebetso sa the Russia-Ukraine war; sebetso se se tonatona e le Masisi...

MR TSHERE: *Procedure.* Mme Dow o ntsha gape Ntlo mo tseleng *Mr Speaker*. Kana fa a re re manolotse *manifesto* wa 2019 re bo re o dirisa ka 2024 ga a bue nnete. *We upgraded manifesto* wa 2019 go lekalekana le seemo sa 2024. Jaaka ka 2019 re ne re bua le bo Dumelang Saleshando ba ise ba tswe mo UDC re re re ya go duela batho P3, 000. A ga o lemoge gore jaanong gompiano ra re P4 000; ga o bone pharologanyo e? Re ne re bua gore bagolo ba amogela P1 500 gompiano re ne re re P1 800. A ga o bone pharologanyo e gore *we moved from* 2019 re ile kwa go 2024? Jaanong golo mo ke go ntsha Ntlo mo tseleng ka bomo *Mr Speaker*, o mmusetse mo tseleng.

MR SPEAKER: Go lebege le sa dumalane *Honourable Tshere*. Kana *your line of debate*, bangwe ba lona gongwe e seng wena ka sebelebele, e ne e le gore fa o ka lebelela *manifesto* wa UDC wa 2019 ga o farologane thata le wa 2024 o e bileng lona le ne le le bontlha bongwe jwa go o kwala. *At least as far as I can recall, that was the line of argument* ya bangwe ba lona. Ke sone se a reng la ntlha go raya gore ba le neng le ba akaretsa gore ba ne ba le mo *manifesto* jaaka bo *Honourable Saleshando, Mother of the House* a re simololang pele ka go ba opela diatla. Ke dumela gore go raya gore ga le dumalane.

DR DOW: *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Re ne re dumalana, o ganne fela fa ke mo raya ke re a o ne a sa bona COVID-19, *the Ukraine-Russian war*; a o ne a sa bona Masisi. Dibetso tse tharo tsa tlhologo, ke tsone di di re lerileng fa re leng teng gompiano. Re ne re tshwanetse gore ka 2024 o bo o di tsenya mo teng fa le dira *manifesto* o mosha. Ke sone se ke se buang seo.

Ga go na gore ke ka tswa fa tota ke sa bua ka kgang ya kgokgontsho mo malwapeng, ya bomme le gore *budget* fa le e dira VP, le sokameleng kwa go reng tota re tllile go sireletsa malwapa, bana, le bomme jang. Le tlaa gopola gore nako nngwe go kile ga bo go utswiwa diteemane thata mo Botswana. Fa ke simolola *as a prosecutor, some of my early prosecutions* e ne e le batho ba ba neng ba utswa diteemane. Go ne ga nyelela *because* lefatshe



le ne la supa gore ga re batle borukutlhi jo, *there was even a diamond squad*. Go ne ga utswiwa dikgomo ga nna a *special force* e bidiwa gotwe Kgomo Khumo. Ke nako ya gore re bone gore go na le mathata a mantshi mo malwapeng a kgokgontsho ya bomme. Re ka dira jang go supa gore ga re e batle gotlhelele, *where should we strengthen tota fela the justice system*, malwapa jang. Ga go ka ke ga diragala fela go sena madi, dikgang tse di a tura. Ke re fela jaaka re kgonne go emisa borukutlhi, kana jo bongwe ra bo fokotsa, a re tsenyeng madi mo kgannyeng e.

Ke batla go akgola Puso ya UDC *for creating ministry o o bidiwang Child Welfare le Education*. Tota fela ngwana o tshwanetse gore a sireletsege *from birth until a nna adult*. Ngwana o bonwa kwa sekoleng, mo mekgwatheng, o bonwa kaekae. E bile *my experience* ke gone gore tota bontsi jwa bana ba mo diphatseng fa ba se mo tshireletsong ya sekole. O tlaa fitlhela e le gore bontsi jwa diphatsa ke *during holidays, weekends*. So go phutha *ministry o under one roof*, go dira gone ngwana fela yo o *under four* a itse gore ke wa ga Tona. Ngwana yo o sa tseneng sekole ke wa gagwe, ga se ngwana wa sekole fela. Ke re ke le akgolele *for that particular reasoning*.

Tiro ya gagwe e tona, ke a itse gore gatwe madi a a yang kwa *Education* a mantshi, mme gantsi re a bo re bua ka dikago. A madi a ye *to the soft part*, kwa barutabaneng, ditlamelo jalojalo *Mr Speaker*, ke a bona nako ya me e tshaile. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: I understand Honourable Tshere has a Motion to table.

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MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR TSHERE): *Thank you very much Mr Speaker*. Ke emelela ka Standing Order 130.1 go kopa Ntlo e gore re *suspend* Standing Order 86.2 e e buang gore *debate of budget* e fele mo malatsing a le lesome a a welang letsatsi leno *Mr Speaker*. Ke ne ke kopa gore *debate* e wele kamoso ka Laboraro. Lebaka legolo e le gore tota kana re ne ra diega maloba re na le morwalela, jaanong go ne ga re jela nako. Gongwe fa re ka digela kamoso, go ka tsamaisana le melao ya Palamente. Ke dira jalo ka boikokobetso *Mr Speaker*, ka kopo. Ke a leboga.

Question put and **agreed to**.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, I have a list from the ruling party, from the Acting Government

Whip. According to the list, Honourable Segokgo is next followed by Honourable Ntlhaile. I am aware that Honourable Mokgwathi has been on sick leave, and he was on the floor, and he was left with 17 minutes. Honourable Mokgwathi, please finish your debate, Honourable Segokgo will follow. Honourable Mokgwathi, I hope you are feeling much better today.

BRIG. MOKGWATHI (LETLHAKENG): Tanki *Mr Speaker*. Maloba fa ke tswelletse ke akgela mo *budget* ya lefatshe le, ke ne ke santse ke bua ka ditsela. *Before I go there*, ke ne ke reeditse Motlotlegi Dow a bua gore ka fa UDC e dirileng ka teng e rema tsela, mme tsela eo go lebega e le sekgwa. Ke tsaya gore gongwe o a itse gore sekgwa fa se le teng, o buile sentle gore re a itse gore re bona sengwe ka fa. Sekgwa fa se rengwa se na le ditlhare tse di bokete tse e leng gore fa o di rema, o tshwanetse go nna le nako e e ntsi, o tsenya jeje.

Fa go ntse jalo gape, ke ne ka bua go se kae ka *strategy*, *there are two types of strategies, inferior strategy and superior strategy*. *Inferior strategy is firing fire with fire*, ke gore re fitlhela o gotsitswe, le rona re bo re o gotsetsa kwa pele.

O ne o bua gore re fitlhetse *disaster* tsa tlholego, ga ke itse gore a ke tsa motho. Wa ba wa bala mongwe motho yo e leng gore ke mongwe wa *disaster*. Ke tlaa dirisa Sekgatla; o ne a bona gore a tenelale mo morago ga *the Former President*. Jaaka o ne o bua, le fa yo mongwe mokaulengwe a ne a bua gore gongwe lehuti ga le a epiwa, le epilwe. Ke ne ke bua ka *strategy* sa gore *firing fire with fire*. *Now go na le se e reng fa o tswa mo firing fire with fire*, jaanong o tshwanetse gore o tle mo *strategy* sa *to subdue enemy* o e tlise *intact*. O e tseye e le *enemy* e ntse e le *intact* o sa e dira sepe o tliša mo pele ga *emperor*, mo pele ga Batswana. Ke sone *strategy* se gongwe batho ba lemoge gore re tshwanetse re se dirise; *subduing the enemy and bringing him to the emperor intact*. Ke na le tumelo ya gore *the forensic audit* e re e setseng morago e dira sone selo se. *Comrade* yo mongwe o ne a bua ka fa a re re se fele pelo, *we understand your plea to say noga e teng*. Re a itse gore noga e teng mme e bile ke *disaster* e e tsenelletseng.

Gape gatwe *when the eagle pounces on its prey, it is because of perfect timing*. Fa ntsu e phamola tlhapi mo gare ga metsi, e a bo e itse gore e ne e lebile e bona. Jaaka o sa tswa go bua, *strategy is about seeing beyond the dark test of the dark*. Ke kopa gore re iketle pele, *within no time things will come out* ka tsela e mongwe le mongwe a tlaa bonang gore go na le se se dirwang...



HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

BRIG. MOKGWATHI: Betsho, ke ne ke santse ke bua ka ditsela tse di dirwang mo dikgaolong tsa rona. Tona o dirile selo se se siameng, o ntshitse madi a ditsela, a bo kwa kgaolong ya me a mpha ditsela tse dingwe. Kana go na le mo gotweng *centralised budgeting and decentralised execution of the budget*, re tshwanetse ra itse gore Mothusa Tautona o dirile *budget*. Go na le batho ba e leng gore ka sesole ba re ke Strategic Corporals, ba e leng gore ke bone ba ba mo *ground*, ba bona gore go direga eng. Fa o romilwe o le Corporal gotwe tsamaya o ye go hula *enemy* ke ele, fa o tsena koo o fitlhela e le gore ga se *enemy* ke mosadimogolo o tshotse ngwananyana mme *enemy* e tona ke ele fale. Ga o re ka gore ke romilwe gore ke ye go bolaya *enemy* ele, ke tlaa tlogela e e ka mpolayang. *Decentralise execution of the budget* jaaka re ne re bua re re e na le *deficits*, batho ba re ba romileng ba ba *in the operational or technical level* ba tshwanetse gore ke bone ba dire mo gotweng *prioritising priorities so that we can be able to execute* re dirisa *this minimal budget that we happen to have at the moment*.

Jaanong Makhanselara ke bone ba e leng gore fa re dira ditsela, *even the technocrats they should see* gore *the enemy is not this woman with a child, it is something else*. Therefore, we should prioritise priorities so that we meet what we have put forward as the UDC. I will give you an example; kwa Kgalagadi le intshwarele ke nna ke bua Sekgoa, fa gongwe ke bua Sekgalagadi kante Setswana, le se ka la re ke batla go bua Sekgoa. Ke batla le itse gore batho ba ba leng kwa, *budget* ele fa le bona e le nnyennyane jaana ke gore ke na le tsholofelo e ntsi. *Budget* e e e leng gore *it is in deficit*, fa batho go na le *good technocrats*, ba e leng gore *they are aligning themselves or they have aligned UDC manifesto* le se se dirwang gompiano, ba tlaa bona gore *the minimum that we have been given, they will be able to execute it to the optimal*.

Ke na le tumelo ya gore fa o itse go bereka, *you can make the possibilities out of the impossible. You can make maximum out of zero. In binary fission* wa re ke *zero and one. You can get zero to be something e e nnang one. Budget* e fa ke e lebelela bagaetsho, re bua ka ditsela fela, a bo re tsaya gape gore go ntse go senngwa, *we might not escape this. This is inescapable*. Go raya gore madi a mantsintsi a ntse a tsamaya a ya kwa ntle kante a tsamaya a tsena mo dipateng tsa batho. *With the minimum budget that we have, I am optimistic* gore *it is well balanced, it encompasses all sectors of*

the economy. Therefore, with proper technocrats jaaka Mma Dow a ne a bua, fa e le gore ga se dinoga tse di mo pateng, fa e le gore *they have got plight of Batswana at heart*, ke na le tumelo ya gore *the minimal budget that we have both the Recurrent and the Development*, re ka kgona go ya golo gongwe ka *budget* e.

Bagaetsho, go na le mo gotweng *economic mainstay*. Dijo ke dingwe tsa dilo ke bua ka *agriculture* mme o tsentse ditsela mo teng, fa o ka ela tlhoko fa re ka re madi a re nang le one ra bula ditsela tse di yang kwa masimong kana kwa merakeng, e tlaa re kamoso *our agricultural sector* le yone *hemp* e re buang ka yone e, re tlaabo re itse gore ga e lengwe fela mo Gaborone mo *south*, le kwa Khudumelapye le Maphorolwane e a lengwa. Re dire gore *economy* ya Botswana e gole mo dikgaolong e seng fela mo ditoropong. Ke na le tumelo ya gore fa ke tsenya metsi *and energy* re dirisa mo gotweng *green energy* re bo re ntsha metsi a a tshwanetseng, le yone temothuo ya rona e ka tswelala ya ya kwa pele re dirisa *this minimum budget that we have*. Ke ne ke bua ka gore *we were saying we have got a deficit budget*, fa re ka re ra ipolelela gore re tlaa nna le mo gotweng *austerity measures*, ra *itshama* ka Sekgalagadi, re ka kgona go ya golo gongwe ka *budget* e.

Re ntse re itse gore *programme that we have inherited* ke tse di mathata, tse di neng di dirwa ka gore batho ba ne ba ipeile gore ba tlaabo ba tsaya meamuso ya lefatshe le ba tsenya mo dipateng tsa bone. Re le Batswana fa e le gore re ne re ntse re nyoretswe go bona gore tshenyetso-setshaba ga e yo, fa go ntse jalo bakaulengwe ra kgona gore e re madi a re a dirileng a ngwaga e ra a dirisa sentle, re ka tswelala golo gongwe.

Betsho, a re tsene jaanong mo thutong. Jaaka a ne a sa tswa go bua, fa o ka lebelela *manifesto* wa UDC o buile ka Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM). *I am a product of STEAM education*. Madinyana a *education* a re a filweng fa re ka a dirisa gore re tsosolose ka re tlile go dira jalo, kana ke na le tumelo ya gore Goromente yo o na le batho ba ba *capable* ba ba kgonang go dira tiro kwa dikgaolong, madi a a leng teng a ba tsosolose *brigades* tse. Van Rensburg o ne a re *education with production*; bana ba dikole e re ba simolola fela ba tla, fa o tsena kwa *primary school* o ruta ngwana ka shaga, boro, ka tafole e go berekelwang mo go yone le ka *vice grip*, o mo ruta fela *from grassroots*. Schultz Theory of Human Capital Development e bua ka *a 25 year's period where you develop a human being that will actually take you to be a mastery in your field. Now, what is happening is if you*



look at the manifesto wa rona ya STEAM, it actually targets the very essence of developing a child from 1st year ka go mo tlhokomela, go tsamaya go fitlhela a nna le 25 years. If we all do that, we synergise. Even the opposition with their input, and I actually appreciate jaaka nne Mma Dow a bua appreciating the fact that we have the UDC or the Government of today has actually sponsored early child education. Not only that, it has made sure that even their health system is taken care of. Fa o ka ela tlhoko kwa dikoleng gompiano, ke ne ke na le bone maabane ba nthaya ba re, “gompiano re ja mae le sebetenyana ka fa.” Go raya gore in this particular aspect in terms of education, there has been some transformation that we can see.

Ke tle ke utlwe gore Roma ga a agiwa ka letsatsi le le lengwefela. Jaanong ke...

MR MOTAOSANE: Point of clarification. Thank you. My beloved brother Domcaza Mokgwathi, are you aware that this menu one wa bo re ja mae, fruits, dinawa le eng, e ntse e le selo se se leng teng fela ka dinako tsotlhe from the past Government? It is just that kgotsa dijo di ntse di tlhabela ka lebaka la tlhalelo ya madi fela. Did they tell you that? Thank you sir.

BRIG. MOKGWATHI: I am very much aware of that, mathata ke gore the execution, the implementation of such programmes were meant not only to actually enhance the health part of the child as well as the education, but it was mainly to make sure that we benefit as leaders at the time. Sorry, batho ba Kgalagadi le se ka la re ke bua Sekgoa, le tlaa intshwarela betsho.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Inaudible)...

BRIG. MOKGWATHI: Ee, fa gongwe ga re o riana go sekaenyana jaana, mme fela ke batla go le raya ke re programme e ne e ntse e le teng, mme go ne go na le lack of proper coordination. Ke ka go bolelela fela ka an example ya nako ya COVID. A company gives money and this money... letlole la ga Goromente, you cannot come o fitlhela tanka e tletse o bo tshela metsi ka kopi, o bo o tsaya gore fa ke ka boa ka gelela, ga gona ope yo o tlaa itseng gore ke kile ka gelela ka kopi because of lack of proper monitoring and coordination. Le fa o ka tsaya ka kopi... that is why o bone some of the problems tsa go jesa bana di pala because you will say I am giving bana dijo tse di ntseeng jaana but at the same time it is for me to benefit. Ke raya gore mokaulengwe, ke dumalana le wena gore it was there, but it was not coordinated professionally, which I believe the current technocrats

should be in a position to actually see to it that they have got the plight of their people at heart. Ba na le lerato mo bathong ba bone. Ke a leboga mokaulengwe.

MR MONAGENG: Point of elucidation. O e tshwere sentle mokaulengwe, neighbour ya me fa. Ga kere o reela gore tota fela ka fa dilo di ntseeng di tsamaya ka teng, madi a ne a le teng, mathata e ne e le tiriso jaaka o ntse o re coordination. Mathata e ne e le tiriso jaaka go tswa go rekiwa dipoo le lodges jalo.

BRIG. MOKGWATHI: Go rekiwa lodges le dipoo, go bo go agiwa toilets tsa bo P1 million. Toilet fela ya toilet e agiwa ka P1 million go le ops normal (operations normal), ke gore things are fine with our Government and this is what was happening. That is what we saw, and if this is what we still want... fa e le gore ke sone se Batswana ba tshwanetseng ba se tlhologanye gore re tshwanetse re tswelole re ntse jalo, ke na le tumelo ya gore rona re le ba UDC kana re le phathi e e busang, re tshwanetse gore re dire gore golo mo go se ka ga diragala.

Betsho, ke buile ka thuto gore e ntse jang. Ke boe ke bue ka botsogo, le a itse gore re na le comprehensive health insurance. Ke ne ke tswa kwa gae maabane, ba mpolelela gompiano gore ba ye for checkup, go nnile botoka. O kgona gore fa gotwe tsamaya o ye go bona ngaka a bo a kgona gore a tle kwano. Ke batla go le raya ke re even the manifesto e setse e diragadiwa.

Ke tsene fela mo go P1, 400 yo re tlholang re ntse re bua ka ene. O ka dumela gore P1, 400 yo, UDC because of its dynamic thinking e bo e re jaanong e tlaa tsaya P300 mo mading a, a a ka bong a ne a ya ka fa gore e thuse batsetsi. Ke gore you can see gore strategic Corporal ga a ise e re a bona gore gatwe ke hule that lady yo o senang sepe, mme go na le enemy ka fa ke bo ke hula ene ke sa hule ene. So, we realise gore even the needy, bogolo jang ba ba imileng, kana ba ba itsholofetseng ba thusiwe. Go ne go se mo maitlamong because o tshwanetse gore o itse gore as a leader, you have to be flexible. O tshwanetse gore o itse gore fa go ntse jaana, fa go ne go na le lefuti le na le metsi, ga ke gate fela ke ntse ke bona gore go na le metsi. Jaanong botsogo jwa rona bo tokafetse thata go le go tona betsho. Ke sone se re neng re se batla.

Batho ba gaetsho ba mpoleletse gore “re itumelela P1, 400 oo, re bona gore le na le tsela.” Jaaka Mma Dow a ne a bua, re tlhagola tsela e bagaetsho, we can see beyond the darkest of the dark. We are creating the possibilities

out of the impossible. Re tlaa tswelera re ntse re bua gore rona re le ba UDC kana re le mo phathing e busang, *if we can curb* dilo tse di tshwanang le tshenyetso-setšhaba, ke a le bolelela... mme e bile *forensic audit* e etla, e tlaa dira gore batho ba ba ntseng ba rutla madi ba a isa kwa ntle, melao e re ne re e dira e le thata ngwaga o fela maloba fa re tswa fa, e tlaa dira gore madi a rona a boe go tla go thusa tšhaba ya Botswana. Ke sone se ke neng ke batla gore ke bue ka sone ka...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification Mr Speaker.

BRIG. MOKGWATHI: E tšhaile motho wetsho, mme fela ke ne ke le raya ke re nna ke dumela gore *budget e, it is balanced and it addresses all sectors of the economy*, ditswammung, thuto, temothuo, sengwe le sengwe, mme fa re ka e ela tlhoko e tlaa re isa golo gongwe. *Mr Speaker*, ke ema mme ke ne ke sa re ke feditse.

MR SPEAKER: *Order! Honourable Members. Honourable Members*, ke a itse gore le ne le tswa kae fa le tla fa. Jaanong ke buile gongwe bangwe ba ne ba ise ba tle fa re goroga fa gore go na le mephuthelwana ya dijo ka kwa *tea room*, ka kwa gongwe le ganelelang teng kwa. Jaanong ke ne ke rile le se ka la diga *quorum* mme le nne le ya go tsaya mophuthelwana ole le ipoloka. Le ipoloke e se re gongwe le ntse le tswelutse fa la tloga la tsibikela. Ke raya gore go ntse jalo *Honourable Members*. Ba ba le thatafaletseng ba ne ba le thatafalela jaanong go na le sengwe ka kwa *tea room*. Ke buisiwa se ke gore *there were suggestions tsa health break, no, I will not entertain those suggestions*, mme le tlaa nna le dira jaaka le itse gore le a ne le tswa le ya go nwa tee le boela mo teng. *Honourable Segokgo*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Mr Speaker*, mophuthelwana wa teng ga o kgorise.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...*(Laughter!)*...

MR SPEAKER: *Honourable Kamal*, se dire jalo, kana go na le ditsamaiso. Ke tlaa go kopela dithuto fela tse di mašhetla tsa ditsamaiso. Jaanong fa o ema, *it is either e le procedure*, kana eng. O ele tlhoko tsamaiso *Honourable Kamal*. O ne o reng *Honourable Jacobs?*

MR JACOBS: Ke ne ke re mophuthelwana wa teng ke *snack-nyana fela*, rona ba bangwe *Mr Speaker* o a bona re kana ka eng, re tlhoka dijo tota tsa boammaaruri.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...*(Laughter!)*...

MR SPEAKER: Owaii, gare mophuthelwana e ne e le one oo. Mme kana *Clerk* fa gongwe o a bo a rulagantse

sengwe gone ka kwa le tee, o ka kgorisa. Ke sa bue Sekgatla, o ka oketsa mo go...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...*(Inaudible)*...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Segokgo.

MR SEGOKGO (TLOKWENG): *Thank you very much Mr Speaker.* Ke go leboqe gore o bo o mphile sebaka sa gore ke buise Ntlo e, ke phutholole tokomane e e leng gore Mothusa Tautona e bile e le *Minister wa Finance* o ne a le fa mo bekeng e e fetileng, go e baya setšhaba pele gore mme tsela pedi re tsaya efe le go bona gore itsholelo ya lefatshe le re ka e busetsa mo seemong sa yone ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re kopana gompieno *Mr Speaker*, ke ipotsa dipotso di le pedi gore tota mme gone banni ba Tlokweng fa ba tlhomagana lebaka le le leele mo letsatsing le le kanakana ka di 30 tsa ga *October*, tsholofelo ya bone e ne e le eng mo go nna gore ke tle ke kgone go fetola matshelo a bone ka go tsena mo Ntlong e ke bua tse e leng gore di a ba tshwenya?

Sa bobedi, re kopana fano *Mr Speaker*, e le gore re sa tswa go tswa mo merwaleleng e e leng gore e tsere matshelo a batho ba le boroba bongwe mo lefatsheng la Botswana, a mewa ya bone e robale ka kagiso. Kwa ntleng ga gone, re tlhalosediswa jalo gore ba feta dikete di le tharo, ba feletse e le gore ba tsena mo mathateng ka yone merwalela e e leng gore re sa tswa go tswa mo go yone. Ka go tlhoka lesego, motse wa me wa Tlokweng le one o iphitlhetse o le mo mathateng a merwalela. Fa re iphitlhela re le mo mathateng a, ke kopa go tsaya motsotso o le mongwefela ke tlhalosetse setšhaba le Ntlo e gore nna motse wa me e ne e le gore o tsene mo madubadubeng ka tsela e e ntseng jang. E ne ya re ka Labotlhano re bo re fudusitse batho ba le 661 *to different evacuation centers* tse e leng gore re ne re di dirile mo lefatsheng lotlhe. Mo palong yone e ba le 74 e ne le bana ba ba *less than 15 years*, mme ba ba fetang dingwaga di le 60 ba ne ba le 55. Ka lesego ke leboqe jalo *business communities* tsa Tlokweng le lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara gore e re fa re le mo mathateng one a, ba bo ba kgona go tla go re thusa. Bangwe ba ne ba ntsha *lodges* tsa bone go tla gore thusa, go baya ba ba neng ba amilwe thata ke seemo sone seo. Fa go ntse jalo *Mr Speaker*, re a ne e re fa re ntse re le mo mathateng, re bone tse dingwe tse di molemo. Ke tlhalose gore bangwe ba re neng re ba fudusitse e ne ya re ka Labotlhano, ka lesego ka gore o ne a itsholofetse, a setse a le kwa motsubong wa gore o ka belega. E ne ya re fa re ntse re le mo teng ga *evacuation centers* tseo, ga nna le mongwe yo o neng



a nna motsetse, a tshola ngwana wa mosimane yo e leng gore gompiano o mo seemong se se siameng fela thata. Le tlaa mmita leina, ga ke batle ngwana yo o bidiwang bo Morwalela ka gore jaanong go tloga go tsena thata mo go ene, botshelo jwa gagwe bo sa kgone gore bo tsamaye sentle.

Mo godimo ga moo, go ne ga nna le ngwana yo o tshotsweng ka mo gotweng *imperforate anus*, o tshotswe go sena fa e leng gore go tswa leswe teng. Re ne re ntse re na le ene malatsi a mabedi, e rile *on Saturday* a bo a nna le seemo, go raya gore leswe leo ga le kgone go tswa fa le tswang teng, a bo go raya gore fa go tshwanetseng gore go tswe leswe teng, ka go tlhoka lesego go tswa madi, mme ka lesego le tiro e ntle ya ga Dr Modise, bana ba gagwe ba mo tlhokometse kwa Sepateleng sa Marina, mme ke tlhalosediswa gore seemo sa gagwe se a tokafala. Golo mo ga teng re go lebogele *the Minister of Health*.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR SEGOKGO: Ke leboge ba ba neng ba nkeme nokeng. E ne ya re bosigo ka 11:30 p.m. fa re ntse re itebetse gone kwa, Mothusa Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana e bile e le ene yo re kopanetseng tokomane e mo go ene, a goroga, bana ba sena dijo, ene 661, mme ga a tla fela mongwame, o tsile a tla a rwele ka mabogo a mabedi, kwa tlhogong le ka fa morago, a tsisetsa setšhaba seo dijo, mme ga ise ko a ba tsisetse dijo fela, o ne a nna fela a re se le se jang le nna ke tlaa se ja, a ja dijo tsa bosigo le bone gone kwa Sekoleng sa Matlala kwa a neng a re etetse teng. Golo mo re go lebogele fela thata.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR SEGOKGO: Re bo re leboge le bo Tona ba ba neng ba nketetse; Tona Atamelang le Tona Motshegwa.

Mma ke tsene mo dikgannyeng tsa me *Mr Speaker*, ke tlhalose gore e ne ya re ka 2020 Kgosi Puso Gaborone a phutha *all the professional expects* mo Tlokweng gore tota motse wa rona re eletsatsa gore o bo o le kwa kae mo dingwageng tse 25 tse di tlang. A tlhalosa gore re tshwanetse *to draft a strategic document*, mme ka lesego Kgosi o ne a nnopotse mo go bone batho bone bao gore re tle re kgone go bona gore Motse wa Tlokweng tota mo dingwageng tse 25, re ka o dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke tsere *that strategic document* ke bo ke e bapisa le tokomane e e leng gore Tona wa *Finance* o ne a tla ka yone mo dibekeng tse di fetileng ke bone gore mme *this tool*, e ka sologela molemo jang batho ba ba

ntlhophileng ka gore keletso ya bone ke gore ke dire tse ba di ntlhophetseng, ba ntse mo letsatsing, ba dumela gore ke nna lentswe la bone kwa Palamenteng. O ne a tsaya jalo a ngatha mo go se nne *the former Minister* wa *Finance* kwa South Africa Tito Mboweni, le ene o ne a dira *the same thing* fa a tsena mo setilong sa *Ministry* wa *Finance* kwa South Africa. A ba biletsa mo *symposium* e a neng a e bitsa a re ke *Economic Growth or Colloquium*. A ba biletsa kwa Mahobieskraal kwa Limpopo go tla go sekaseka gore mme itsholelo ya Aferika Borwa e ka leba kwa kae fa diemo di ntse jaana.

E le kgakololo, *to the Minister of Finance* gore gongwe mathata a re mo go one gompiano, go bothokwa gore e re fa re tswa mo *budget* yone e, ka gore go a itshupa tota gore itsholelo dingwaga di le lesome tse di ntseng di feta e ntse e kgothakgothega gore e wele kwa tlase. Ke dumela gore gongwe re tle re phuthe *all the professional expects*; re batle *economists, engineers, human resource experts*, re ye go ba tswalela mo *hall* malatsi a le mararo, gore ba tle ba kgone go re tlela ka molemo wa go bona gore mathata a e leng gore itsholelo e mo go one a ka rarabololwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Ke boela mo go se re neng re se bua gore Kgosi Gaborone ene re ne ra dumalana eng kwa Tlokweng gore re tle re kgone go bona gore re ka thusa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ga ke na go tla fa *Mr Speaker*, ke tla go bua ka mathata, Batswana ba mo mathateng a matona ba solofetse gore rona re tle ka *solutions to their problems*. Ba tshephile gore rona re a itse gore lefatshe le mo mathateng, mme rona re tla ka ditharabololo dife gore re tle re kgone go ba ntsha mo mathateng.

E tlaare fa ke ntse ke bua *problem*, ke bo ke ntsha le *solution*. *Problem* e re nang le yone kwa Tlokweng ke ya *storm water drainage*, metsi a tswa Aferika Borwa a bo a ralala Tlokweng, a mangwe ke one a re a bonang kwa Notwane. Re ka dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang gore re tle re tile *storm water drainage* sone se. *Solution* e ke e ntshang le banni ba Tlokweng ke gore a re dire ditangwana tse e leng gore bogolo jang metsi a a tswang kwa Aferika Borwa, re ka leka *to harvest* one metsi a, gore re tle re kgone go nosetsa dijwalo tsa rona, re nose le diruiwa tsa rona. Gore metsi a a se ka a goroga kwa Tlokweng, ke dingwe tsa *solutions* tse ba neng ba di ntshitse.

Se sengwe ke gore *along* Notwane river, gongwe re ka dira *resort* fa metsi a le teng, ra dira *lodges, hotels* gone koo, ra dira metshameko e e kwa godimo thata *Honourable* Kelebeng. Re se ka ra akanya fela

gore ke merwalela ya mahala, metsi a a se ka a feta mahala, re dire *resorts along* Notwane river. Re fe bo rakgwebo gone koo. Re fetlhe diphatlha tsa mebereko. Ditshekatsheko tsa rona di ne di supa gore batho ba feta 5 000 ba ka felela e le gore ba bona diphatlha tsa mebereko *along* Notwane river, fa re ka dira *hotels* tseo, fa re ka dira metshameko ya bo *beach volleyball*, *beach football* gone *along* tamo ya Notwane. Ka go dira jalo, re tlaabo re ntse re kganela metsi a, go ya go kgama banni ba ba kwa Tlokweng.

Mo godimo ga moo, re na le mathata *Mr Speaker*, *Clinic* ya Mafithlakgosi e mo mathateng, dingaka le baoki fa e re 1630 *hours*, ba tlhalosa fa e le gore ba a tshaisa ka gore ba re go na le *court order* e e duleng kwa *Court of Appeal* e e ba dumelang gore ke yone e e ba emeng nokeng. Bontsi jwa batho ba kwa Tlokweng, Tlokweng ke bua ka *population* ya 57 000, kwa e leng gore Gaborone ga o kgwele metsi kwa teng, le batho ba tla kwa go rona go tla go nna teng. *Clinic* ya Mafithlakgosi e mo mathateng a a seng kana ka sepe *Mr Speaker*, *the Minister of Health* gore fa e re 1630 *hours* go a tswalwa, a bo go raya gore batho ba ba *service* kwa Gaborone ba felela e le gore ba tla mo Tlokweng. Ke a tshepha mongwame *the Minister of Health* o ntshepisiste jaaka re ne re le mmogo gore seemo seo o tlaa se baakanya, ga ke na go go felelwa pelo. *I believe in your steward leadership*, gammogo le *your assistant* yo e leng gore ke ne ke tsena mo *class* le ene e bile ke mo gaisa kwa Mmadikole. Ke dumela mo *leadership* ya lona mongwame gore seemo se le tlaa leka go se baakanya gore banni ba Ranfurwa, Khayakholo, Ditshwegeng le Thethe ba se ka ba nna mo mathateng a ba mo go one.

Thuto ya rona *Mr Speaker*, kwa Tlokweng, motse o bapile le toropo. Re santse re na le dikole tse *ceilings* di welang bana, *primary schools* tsa rona di pitlagane. E ne e re fa dikole fa di bulwa jaana maloba ka *January* di bo di pitlagana.

Mr Speaker, ke kope *the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure*, monnawe ke yo Rre Atamelang ke mo tsero maloba o iponetse ka matlho gore dikole tsele ga di mo maemong a a siameng. *The Development Manager* (DM) Model, sekole se se kwa Maratanang, ke dingwe tse e leng gore *they were affected by this model and suspended*, mme ke kope tota *to expedite the process* ya DM *so that* banni ba Tlokweng ba se ka ba sokola ka *primary school* ya bone. Mo godimo ga moo, re bo re kopa le *senior secondary school*, ka gore go setse go ilwe kwa East, Rre Lekau le Rre Barongwang ba re ba kgotshe dikole jaanong tla ka kwano ka gore bone ba re

ba timpetse dikole tsa bone di dintsi, tlaa ka kwano kwa toropo e golelang teng. O re direle *senior secondary school*. Rre Ookeditse o re direle *primary hospital* kwa Tlokweng.

MR BARONGWANG: *Point of order.* Mma ke go dumedise Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke kope fela gore o nkopele *Honourable* Segokgo, gore gongwe o tlaa tloga a latlha Ntlo e, gore batho ba Mogoditshane kana nna, kana Rre Lekau ga go na ka letsatsi lepe le re kileng ra re dikole di lekane. Dikole kwa Mogoditshane ga di a lekana, di gatelelwa ke batho ba ba tswang kwa kgaolong ya ga Mme Manyeneng. Re kopa dikole le rona, e bile ke kopa gore a boele morago mafoko a a buang, a a reng “batho ba Mogoditshane ba re ba kgotshe dikole,” dikole ga di yo. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR SPEAKER: Nnyaa, mme le wena o a rumolana jaanong. *Honourable* Segokgo, a re o a mo pateletsa, o a ba pateletsa, tota e le ba Mogoditshane ga ba ise ba ko ba re ba kgotshe dikole, baakanya.

MR SEGOKGO: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke boela mafoko a kwa morago, ga ba a kgora dikole, ba tlopeletswe dikole...*(laughter!)*... mme ke a boetse kwa morago *Mr Speaker*.

Ke tsena mo kgannyeng ya ditsela kwa Tlokweng. Ditsela tota kwa Tlokweng tse tsotlhe tota di jelwe ke morwalela o. 80 *per cent* ya ditsela kwa Tlokweng *has been affected by* morwalela o. Mme tota ke a kopa, tsela e e tswang fa go Mphara e ya go wela ka kwa Matlaileng ka kwa e tshwanetse go tsennngwa sekonotere *Mr Speaker*. Ga ke a tshwanela gore ke... le ditsela tse dintsi, bogolo jang kwa kgaolong ya Ranfurwa le kwa Tlokweng kwa motseng o mogologolo. Bogolo jang kwa Lenganeng kwa banni ba Lenganeng fa morago ga *filling station* ya Shell le bone ba lebetse gone koo. Go tlo dilwe ga bo go raya gore re ya kwa banning ba Letlapeng le Maratanang, re tlogela Lenganeng o mogologolo. Banni ba kwa Khayakholo, Masetlheng, Selokwana le Old Kgosong, ba lela ka dikgang tse. *Solution Mr Speaker...* ga ke batle go tla fa ke tla ke lela ka mathata, *solution* ke gore, tota Puso ya rona re tshwanetse go dira *toll gates as a matter of urgency*. Go tliwe ka komiti fela e e ka dirang *these toll gates as a matter of urgency*. *I ran a poll* maloba mo Facebook ke botsa Batswana gore a mme ba *ready for these toll gates*. Batswana ba *ready for toll gates* tse go thusa Goramente wa letsatsi gore re tle re kgone go bona gore re dira madi ka tsela e e ntseng jang re tle re kgone go dira ditsela tse.



Banana ba kwa Tlokweng ba tlhoka mebereko, *employment opportunities*, mme ga re batle go lela fela, re na le mogopolo o re o tsentseng kwa National Development Plan (NDP) 12, wa gore *we want to do a dry port city* kwa Tlokweng. Re dire Durban-nyana kana Port Elizabeth-nyana wa rona kwa Tlokweng. Re dire Maputo-nyana wa rona kwa Tlokweng, gore fa diteraka di tswa kwa Aferika Borwa di felele fela fa molelwane wa Tlokweng, re tle re kgone *to create employment opportunities*. Re dire *warehouses* gone koo. Diteraka, re buisane le baemedi ba Gaborone, mme legale ga ba na mathata, bo Mopalamente Ramaotwana, Mopalamente Ntlhaile, Mopalamente Butale, Mopalamente Mophuting, ga ba na le fa e le mathata, ba re diteraka tse di a ba senyetsa mo Gaborone. Jaanong e ne o kare re dumalana ka bongwe fela jwa pelo maabane bosigo ke bua le bone gore, a diteraka di felele kwa Tlokweng Border Gate, gore di bo di boela kwa Aferika Borwa, *so that* di tle di kgone *to create* diphatlha tsa mebereko gone foo. Re bo re ya go bula *border* ya Tlokweng *to 24 hours as a matter of urgency*. *We do not have to wait for* dikgang tse, *policy* e tshwanetse gore e tle, re baakanye dilo tse *so that we implement* dilo tse, re *create* diphatlha tsa mebereko ka bofefo *before* Batswana ba re ja ka meno.

Ke tla fa sekai gore, metse e e bapileng le ditoropo kwa mafatsheng a mangwe re e bona e gola, ke e fa sekai, go na le motse wa Mukono kwa Kampala o e leng gore *takes advantage of* Kampala ka kgolo ya one; motse wa Lekki o o bapileng le Lagos, le wa Mlolongo o o bapileng le Nairobi. Motse kana torotswana ya Cranbrook e e bapileng le Melbourne kwa Australia; torotswana ya Malmö e e bapileng le Copenhagen kwa Sweden, toropo ya Gurgaon e e bapileng Delhi kwa India, ke dingwe tsa metse e e leng gore re le Tlokweng *we benchmark* mo go yone, e e golang e felela e nna ditoropo. *We should take advantage* ka kgolo eo. Re bone *ministry* o emelela ka dinao, Mopalamente Ramaotwana a ema ka dinao gore *Ministry* wa *Justice and Correctional Services* o ya go nna jaanong kwa Tlokweng, *headquarters is going to be in* Tlokweng. A bo a emelela gotlhe ka bodiredi jwa gagwe, *all his departments*. Golo moo *can create* diphatlha tsa mebereko, *the overlapping employment opportunities that will arise from that ministry moving to Tlokweng are going to be abundant*. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse re di kopang.

The State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs), re bone fela banka ya Botswana Savings Bank (BSB) e re re fudugela kwa Tlokweng ka gore re selo se le sengwe, *more so that* re

ne ra iketsha setlhabelo ka 18th *century* ra siela ka kwano re le banni ba Tlokweng re re, mafudiso a a rona, kana golo fa re mo mafudisong a banni ba Tlokweng, re re tlaa le fa toropo mo mafudisong a rona. Jaanong *we have to take advantage* le rona re anye maungo a go bapa le toropo.

Ke tlaabo ke tsena mo *national issues* ke re, *I understand the Minister of Finance* gore re kopana gompiano o le mo mathateng a a seng kana ka sepe. Ga go motlhofo gore o bope *Budget* e re le mo mathateng a re sa tswang go tswa mo go one. *Economy* ya rona *depends in external shocks*, go na le *geopolitical conundrums* tse di diragalang lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara. Re bona kwa America go sa tswa go tlhophiwa Donald Trump. Re bona Donald Trump a simolola go dira botsalano le bo Russia jalojalo. Re bona ntwana e e tswelletseng ya Russia-Ukraine e ntse e tswelsetse, mme o kare e tlaa bepa. Re bona go na le *a simmering tension between the African economic hegemony*, e e leng gore ke South Africa le *the global economic hegemony*, e leng lefatshe la America. *So we are witnessing this simmering tension between these two countries*, and golo mo go a go felela *affecting us on this budget*. Ke tlaa leka gore ke tlhalosetse batlotlegi gore go ya go diragala ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re bona ntwana ya kwa Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)-Rwanda le yone e ntse e tswelsetse, mme re ntse re le mo gare ga *budget* e. Ke diemo tse re yang go iphitlhela re le mo go tsone. Re ne re bona *in the first time after three decades* kwa lefatsheng la South Africa *Budget proposal being suspended*, date ya teng e tlosolosiwa go isiwa kwa pele. Golo moo go supa gore lefatshe la South Africa *their coalition is not stable*, and golo moo go a go felela *affecting* le *receipts* tsa rona tsa Southern African Customs Union (SACU) tse re di kwadileng gone fa gore *we expect around* P24 *billion* mo go tsone. Fa go nna go ntse go na le dintwa tseo ma America ba tlhalosa jalo gore ba batla go busa *the fund* ya bone ya African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) kana tumalano ya bone ya AGOA kwa South Africa, go ya go felela *affecting SACU receipts*, mo e leng gore golo fa Tona wa tsa Madi o tsera mathata fela a bo a a baya gone fa, a sa batle gore a tshose Batswana. Mme fa o tsena kwa tengteng ga *issues* tse o ya go bona gore *for the coming 12 months we are going to go through very serious and challenging economic hardships*. Ka rialo ka gore, basekaseki ba diteemane le bone ba a tlhalosa gore, *we have over exaggerated* P23 *billion* yo re reng re mo solofetse *on this Budget*. *It is going to take six months from now* go ya go tsena ka bo *June-July* gore diteemane di tle di kgone *to recover*.

Mo go rayang gore *we might expect around P16 or P17 billion* mo mading a rona a diteemane, *unlike the P23 billion* yo re mo kwadileng mo *this budget*, e le one mathata a ke ntseng ke a tlhalosa gone fa gore, *we are going to have deficit* e e leng gore gongwe *it is going to be kwa godimo ga P25 billion*. Mme basekaseki ba tsa itsholelo ba tlhalosa fa e le gore le fa go na le *a deficit* mo lefatsheng ga go reye gore batho ba tlhape diatla ba akanye gore ke mathata. Go na le monna yo mongwe o bidiwa gotwe ke Milton Friedman *who is an American scholar*, o ne a tla ka *theory* e nngwe e a neng a e bitsa a re ke *the quantity theory of money*, gore mme le fa go ntse jalo fa go na le *deficit* a re lekeng *to circulate money in the public sphere*. Ke dumela gore P1,400 yo Tona a mo tlhalositseng... mme banni ba Tlokweng bontsi jwa bone ba a itumeletse, *the P300* yo Tona o mo tlhalositseng ke gone jaaka re tsamaya, re atumela gone koo re ye go dira mo gotweng ke *increase the consumer spending*. *When we increase the consumer spending we increase the aggregate demand in the society*, gone golo moo go kgona go dira gore kgolo e nne kwa godimo ka gore madi a tlaabo a tsena mo dipateng tsa banni ba Botswana. Gone golo mo Batswana ba tlaa go itumelela. Ga se gone fela, *we have only two options, the Keynesian Model of Economics* e tlhalosa fela gore, fa re le mo mathateng *it is either we go the route ya Austerity measures or ya expansionary fiscal and money policies*. Tona o tsere tshwetso ya gore *to stabilise the economy let us just take the route ya expansionary fiscal and money policies* e e leng gore *it is a model* o o neng o dirwa ke John Maynard Keynes ka 1958 fa re le mo gare ga *cold war* ka nako eo. Ke ne ke le teng *Mr Speaker* ka ngwaga oo wa 1958 *when this man drafted* dilo tse. Mme re tsaya *the expansionary route, and* bakaulengwe ba rona ba tshwanetse go dumalana le rona gore *this is the route that we are taking, in spite of all these economic hardships* tse di yang go tla *for the coming 12 months, but* re batla gore go nne le *circulation* ya madi.

Kwa ntleng ga gone re tlaabo re ntse re buisana le ba dibanka, re bone gore *the monetary policy* ya bone e ya go tsamaya ka tsela e e ntseng jang, gore gongwe ba ka ngotla ka tsela e e ntseng jang, gore batho ba tle ba kgone go adima madi mo dibankeng. Kwa ntleng ga gone le bone gore *these Government securities and bonds* ke gore re ye go buisana le bone gore re tle re kgone go bona gore re ka dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang. *I said I am providing solutions*, re na le madi a a seng kana ka sepe kwa Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund (BPOPF), a e leng matshebetshebe. Tumelo ya rona ke gore gongwe re tle re kgone go bona gore *when you talk*

about Public Private Partnerships (PPPs), creation of employment opportunities, re ka ya go dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang, gore madi a a tle a kgone gore a dirisiwe *in these projects to create* diphatlha tsa mebereko *in the coming 12 months*. *I am optimistic* gore Tona wa tsa Madi kgang e o e tshwere ka botswerere, e bile re tlaa *create* diphatlha tsa mebereko, re bo re ya go goroga kwa go 450 000 yo re buang ka ene *in five years*.

Kwa ntleng ga gone *Mr Speaker, there is unutilised funds* kwa *Ministry of Health*. Go na le *the Tobacco Levy* le *Alcohol Levy*, tse di sa dirisiweng. Kwa *Ministry of Trade*, go na le *the Gambling Levy*...

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH (MR OOKEDITSE): *Clarification*. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Nnyaa, *Alcohol Levy* e a dirisiwa tsala ya me. Ke re ke baakanye fela gore e se ka ya nna e kete ke madi a a ntseng fela, re bo re tloga re tingwa madi gotwe go na le madi a a sa berekeng.

MR SEGOKGO: Ee rra, ke ne ke raya fa o ise o tle mongwame, go ne go na le lebaka le a neng a sa kgone gore a dirisiwe sentle. Go na le *Plastic Levy, let us come and account here* re tlhole gore *these levies* tota di ka re thusa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Gammogo le e ke neng ke e bua ya BPOPF, re e kopanya le *Government securities and bonds*. Re tle re kgone go bona gore re ka dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

We need to increase even our financial market, re ye go tlhola kwa Botswana Stock Exchange, *our ... (Inaudible) ...* gore e kana ka eng *to contribute to the economy of this country*, gore re tle re kgone go bona gore re ka dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke ne ke tlhalosa jalo gore Tona wa tsa Madi o e tshwere ka botswerere gore *as much as a stabilise economy, let us also try to expand this monetary and fiscal policies. Let us balance them* re bone gore re ka dira jang ka *consumer spending, to increase the aggregate demand*. Mo godimo ga moo Tona o buile ka Sovereign World Fund, e *the Bretton Woods* e leng dingwe tsa dilo *which they recommended* gore re tle re kgone gore re tle re di dire mo lefatsheng la Botswana. *So we are implementing all these things*.

The Minister of Finance, let us not take time. A re implement all these things from the 1st of April, re dire ka bonako gore re tle re kgone *to create* diphatlha tsa mebereko ka dikgang tse. Re tle re ye go itse gore National Development Bank (NDB) *and* Botswana Savings Bank (BSB), jaaka o ne o tlhalosa gore *we need to have* banka e e leng ya lefatshe la Botswana. Re tshwanetse gore re tle re kgone gore re dire dilo tseo.



Fa ke bua ka *creation of employment opportunities*, ke bua le kwa thutong gore *those temporary teachers* tota re se ka ra diegela *to absorb them*. Re a itse gore gatwe fa gongwe go gontsi, mme fa re *implement ratio* ya 1:25 e e *in our manifesto*, ke dumela gore *all these teachers* ba ba *temporary* re ka kgona gore re ba tseye ka bonako. Batho ba ba tlhangelang kwa Mafitlhakgosi *Clinic*, Nkaikela le Khayakholo *Honourable Ookeditse*, *these temporary health workers*, a re boneng ka bofelo gore *we absorb them*. Fa re sena go ba *absorb*, *that theory* ya *the quantity theory of money*, ya ga Milton Friedman, o tsile go felela o e bona. Batho fa ba na le madi ba *spend* madi *in a population of 2.7 million*, *I am telling you* re tsile o tsholetsa *this economy*, re bo re gakgamala gore ke rona ba re neng re le mo *deficit* ya P22 billion.

Golo fa re bua ka monna yo motona yo o tshwereng *economy* ya lefatshe la Botswana, monna yo o tseneng kwa *the Wharton School of Business*. Naare Wharton School of Business ke sekole sefe *Mr Speaker*, ke se e leng gore *the richest man in the world* Elon Musk o tsene kwa Wharton School. Re lesego gore re bo re na le *a graduate* wa sekole se, a re tshwaretse sekgwama sa madi, Rre Ndaba Nkosinathi Gaolathe. Go tsene Donald Trump kwa Pennsylvania, kwa nne Rre Ndaba Nkosinathi Gaolathe a tsena teng. Go tsene Frank Quattrone, *a man who is one of the board members* kwa Deutsche Bank le kwa Credit Suisse. Cesar Virata, *the former Prime Minister* wa kwa Philippines. Tona wa tsa Madi ga a tsena fela kwa sekoleng sele, o tsene le kwa Lesedi Primary School, o jele ...*(Inaudible)*... fela jaaka rona bo Pheny Segokgo pele ga a tsena kwa.

MR MOTSHEGWA: *Clarification*. Ke ne ke bona gore o mo moweng, ke ne ke re o atolose *theory* ya ga Milton, ka fa o neng o tlhalosa seabe sa yone mo itsholelong. Ke bona gore o tshwere jaaka re ne re rutwa, le fa ke ne ke tsamaela kgakala thata mo thutong. Kana Rre Segokgo le Rre Lawrence, e ne e le *classmates* tsa me kwa University of Botswana (UB) fa re dira Social Science. Pharologanyo ke gore, ba ne ba tla fa morago ga me.

MR SEGOKGO: *Mr Speaker*, o a itse gore *you tutored us* ka boraro, o a itse gore ke ne ke ba gaisa thata, ke leboge tota. Ke ne ke bua ka ya ga Milton Friedman, e a buang ka *the quantity theory of money* gore fa *economy* e le mo mathateng re le mo *budget deficit*, re bone gore re ka gasa madi ka tsela e e ntseng jang, *to increase consumer spending*. Batho ba bangwe ba ne ba dumela gore *after cold war*, *it opposes the Keynesian model of economics*. Ke tlhalosa gore ke a e lemoga mo

tokomaneng e fa ke e bala ya ga *the Minister of Finance*, gore le fa *economy* e le mo mathateng, o leka *to stabilise it* ka go ntsha P1 400 le P300 a *these social welfare policies*. Re se ka ra ema gone foo, re dire le *stipend* sa batho ba ba sa berekeng, *to increase* madi *in the public sphere*. Ke a tshepha, e tsile gore *in 12 months* re bo re setse re akareditse *deficit* eo, e re e tlhalosang.

Ke ne ke tlhalosa jalo gore Rre Ookeditse ke a kopa rra, hira *those health workers*, ke bana ba Modimo ba tlhomola pelo. Rre Hunyepa, bana ba a lela, *I have some pilots* ba ba kwa Tlokeng ba bararo, ba na le ba bangwe ba kopa madinyana ka kwa go wena ka koo. Ke utlwile Tona wa tsa Madi a tlhalosa gore, go raya gore *we were overburdening the economy* ka *human capital*, e e neng e setse e nna ntsi thata. Jaanong bao ga ke dumele gore ke palo e e ntsi thata, ba sekaseke *Honourable Hunyepa* o bone gore o ka ba thusa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Mr Speaker, ke tlhalose gore Botswana ba solofetse go le gontsi mo go rona, ka gore *this generation* fa e ka felela e re bona jaaka fa *generation* ya rona re bona Botswana Democratic Party (BDP), go ya go felela go nna le mathata. Ke tshepha *the Minister of Finance* gore e tlaa re *by June/July*, *all these solutions* tse re di buang re bo re kgonne go bona gore re di diragatsa ka tsela e e ntseng jana. *Also to make sure that our technocrats who are the implementers, are going to execute these policies*. Re tshwanetse gore re ba tseye *and drill them for a week at the Ministry of Finance*. Ba tsene mo *manifesto* wa rona, ba go utlwe *the Minister of Finance* gore tota ra reng. *I do not believe two days is enough, but all these senior civil servants, your Permanent Secretaries (PSs) and Directors* a ko re ba tseye fela le bone re ba tswalele *in a hall*, ba tle ba kgone gore ba utlwe gore *manifesto* wa rona re batla gore re hire banana ba ba mo Botswana ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re batla gore re dire Botswana Transport Hub, ka tsela e e ntseng jang *to create employment opportunities*. Re tshwanetse gore re tle re kgone gore re dire jalo.

Ke go sireletsa *the Minister of Finance*, mafatshe a re bapileng le one *in terms of corporate tax*, re santse re le kwa tlaselase. *The 1.5 per cent* e o neng o e tlhalosa gape o e dira ka mo re go bitsang re re ke *the Buffett tax*, e e neng e dirwa ke Warren Buffett. Gore ba ba kwa godimo fa ba na le madi, a re lekeng go tsaya mo go bone, *but it is not enough*. Batho ba ba nnang kwa Phakalane, Ruretse le Block 10, madi a ba duelang *rates* ka one, re se ka ra diega *Minister*, re simolole go ba tseela madi ba ba kgonang. Ba ba kwa tlase, re ba tlogele.

Go na le monna mongwe e ne ya re ka di 13 tsa ga October 1998, a ntsha pina. Ke kopa to quote Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Please do.

MR SEGOKGO: Ba mmita ba re ke Tupac Shakur, o ne a ntsha pina a re ke “Changes, that is the way it is, you gotta make a change, it is time for us the people to start making some changes. Let’s change the way we eat, let’s change the way we live, let’s change the way we treat each other. You see the old way wasn’t working, so it’s on us to do what we gotta do to survive.” E le mafoko a ga Tupac Shakur a opela pina ya Changes. Ke one mafoko a a rayang rona re le baeteledipele ba UDC, we are seizing this opportunity. Batho botlhe, banni botlhe ba Tlokweng le lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara, ba beile mo go rona. We have to instigate that confidence and optimism mo go bone, gore re tlaa kgona. Le fa sekgwama se le makgwakgwa, mme banana bao ba se ka ba nna le boithobogo. Re dumela gore sepatšhe se re se neetse a credible, a steward and acute graduate of Wharton School of Business. Monna yo motona, ke tshephe fela jalo. Ke go leboge Mr Speaker, gore o bo o mphile sebaka. Ke one mafoko a banni ba Tlokweng, ke a leboga.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)

MR SPEAKER: The floor is open.

MR MABEO (GAMALETE): Mma ke go leboge Mr Speaker. Ke bo ke lebogele le Tona...

MR SPEAKER: Hang on. Honourable Members, ke bona o kare le a ngongorega. Gakere ke tsere ba le babedi kwa ruling party; Honourable Mokgwathi le Honourable Segokgo.

MR MABEO: Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Mma ke leboge Tona ka pego ya gagwe ya ntlha ya kabo ya madi. Ke simolole ka go dumedisa bagaetsho kwa Gamalete, ka ke itse jaana gore ba kgobokanye mo radio, ba lebeletse television, ba lebeletse le mo Facebook. Ke a le dumedisa ba Gamalete. Ke ngwana wa lona Blancha jaaka le mmita, le fa re ka betšha.

Tona, ke a go leboga. Ke go tletse ka pego e ke tsereng mo go ba Gamalete. Ke tlaa simolola jaana Tona ke re, ba Gamalete ba lebogetse P1 400 wa bagodi. Ga a enough mme ba mo lebogetse. Ba lebogetse gape le P300 wa bana mme ba kopa gore o oketse dingwaga gore segolo di nne tharo. Bana ba dikole ke tsene teng,

le bone ba itumeletse sanitary pads. Ke tlaa felela foo ka tseo. Ke tsone fela tse ke tlang ka tsone e le dikakgolo Tona, ba kopile jalo.

Mma ke tsene mo dikgannyeng. Ke tla tsepama mo dikgannyeng tse di sokametseng thata mo Trade and Entrepreneurship. Ke leke go ama di le mmalwa fela ka ke tshotse mofago o montsi o o tswang kwa gaetsho kwa Gamalete. Ke lemoga gore go botlhokwa gore ke bue ka Trade and Entrepreneurship ka gore fa e ka gola, go diragala business, go botlhokwa gore DCEC e nne le meno, e nne le maatla, e bile e ikemele ka bonosi. Minister o buile sentle thata, ke kopa go mo nopola Mr Speaker...

MR SPEAKER: Please do.

MR MABEO: A bua jalo gore, “our conviction is that a corruption free culture will save us not a billion but billions of Pula every year.” Tona, ke lebogela mafoko a gago a. Ke lebogela gore Puso e ntšha e lemoga bokete jwa corruption le gore e ka re babalela mo go ntseng jang. Ke tsaya gore puo ya ga Tona e tlaetse go bua gore ba tlaa leka go nonotsha dilo tse di femang tshenyetso-setšhaba. Selo se se tona ke gore, DCEC e ikemele ka bonosi. Ke ne ke solofetse gore o ka bo o buile jalo ka ke itse gore Puso kana party ya UDC le rona ba re ka kwano ba Botswana Congress Party (BCP), rotlhe re na le dingwaga tse di ntsi re bua ka DCEC gore e ikemele ka bonosi. Ke kopa re diragatse selo se. DCEC e ikemele ka bonosi, e tle e sale dikgang morago sentle, bontle.

Go ka belaetsa gore re bo re bua ka corruption, mme re bo re ntse re batla go tswela jaaka e kare re santse re le mo Pusong ya ga Domkrag. E bile go ka belaetsa ya nna jaaka e kare gongwe bangwe ka koo, ba setse ba tswela sengwe pelo. A re tlogeleng DCEC e ikemele ka nosi, e tle e dire tiro. E tle e kgone go leba ka koo, e re lebe ka kwano, e lebe tšhaba yotlhe, re tle re lwantsha mmaba o, tshenyetso-setšhaba.

Mr Speaker, ke itumelela gore Tona o buile gape gore o lemoga gore process ya go tlhama kana go simolola dikompone e telele gape e mafaratlhatlha, ga e a nna sentle. Ke lebogela gore Tona a bo a buile gore ba e lebeletse, e bile ba batla go e baakanya. Ke solofela gore se se tlaa diragala Tona. Ke tshwenngwa ke gore ga o a ipeela seelo sa gore morago ga nako e e kae, o bo dirile eng, jang.

Minister o tswelletse gape a bua ka gore ba tlaa dira what they call a more effective and strategic framework for



investment e e tlaa fokotsang *what he termed 'red tape.'* E le yone e a itumedisa mme ga e na *timelines*. Tona, Puso e e neng e tswa, e ne e na le dipampiri tse di ntsi tse di ntle tsa *strategies, framework*, dilo tse tsothle tse di neng di kwadilwe. Ke tsaya gore mo Pusong e ntšha ga le na go dira dilo tse di ntle tse di balegang bontle fela mme di sa diragale. Ke tsaya gore le tlaa di diragatsa.

Mr Speaker, Tona o tswetse gape a bua gore ba tlaa nna le *framework* e e tlaa dirang gore ba batle babeleletsi ba mofuta mang, ba selebego se se ntseng jang, ba ba ntseng jang. Le yone ke a e lebogela mme e ntse ga e na *timeline* gore e tlaa dirwa leng *framework* e, e tle e diragadiwe.

E bile ke makadiwa ke gore maloba Tona wa *Trade and Entrepreneurship* le Tautona ba tswa kwa Davos kwa go kopanang bahumi ba lefatshe. Ke tsaya gore ba ne ba ile go re senkela babeleletsi. Ke ipotsa gore ba ne ba dirisa efe *framework* e e senkang babeleletsi. Ke eme fano ke ntse ke a ipotsa gore kwa re ya teng kwa Davos gone re tla ka eng?

Puso e e neng e feta, ngwaga le ngwaga ba ne ba ya Davos, Puso e ntšha le yone e tswelela e dira jalo. Ke bona Tona wa *Trade and Entrepreneurship* a seyo mme ke tlaa mo gakolola fela ka gongwe o reeditse *radio* gore Tona, o ne o ile go senka eng kwa Davos? O tlele ka eng kwa Davos? O tshotse eng? Tona, se ke se boneng, ke bone go *trend selfie* tsa gago mo *social media*. Selo se se tlhomola pelo, se a swabisa. Tona, ga ke leke go go tlhasela mme ke bone *selfie* o le mo sefofaneng. Ke batla go *trend deals* tse re di saenang, tse re di tletseng lefatshe le, a go *trend* tsone. A go *trend* babeleletsi ba ba tona ba tlhwathwa ba o tlang ka bone.

MR SPEAKER: Freeze the clock. Hang on, Honourable Member, let me draw your attention to Standing Order 51.1, "you shall address your observation to the Speaker. *Tswelela* Honourable Member.

MR MABEO: *I thank you sir. Mr Speaker*, ke makaditswe ke *to trend* ga ga Tona mo *social media*, a sa tle ka sepe se a se saenneng se a se dumalanang, mofago. Korwe gatwe o bapalela tsetse, ga ke itse gore rona o re bapalelwe eng ka gore e le motsadi wa rona, o ne a ile go re emela kwa Davos. Selo se se tswa kgakala, le Domkrag e ne e ntse e dira jalo. A Puso e ntšha e emise go dira jalo. A ko le emiseng go dira jalo. A ko le re tleleng ka dilo tse di botoka tse di ntsi tse di tswang kwa.

Mr Speaker, manifesto wa UDC o ne o buile ka 100 000 *jobs every year*...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: No.

MR MABEO: *It is 500 000 in five years, I assume it will be 100 000 every year. Tell me, these 500 000 jobs that you are going to create in five years, how many of them are you going to create this year* jaaka le itlamile la raya Batswana la re e tlaare fa le tswa mo Pusong, le tlaabo le dirile ditiro di le 500 000, le ya go dira tse kae ka ngwaga? Ke eng *Budget Speech* e sa bue, e papamale e supe gore di ya go tswa di le kae ngwaga o? Go ya go tswa *factories* tse kae? Le ya go di dira leng ngwaga o? Ka fa Gamalete ka fa re *ready*, e bile kana re siame re gaufi le Gaborone le Lobatse.

Re siame thata e bile re mo tseleng ya A1, re na le lefatshe la *industries*. Re dire *industrial hub*. Re na le ba bantsi ba ba sa berekeng, re teng, re *ready* re tlaa bereka. Mafatshe a a tlabologileng a a itsege gore kwa go na le eng, le South Africa fa o ya kwa Eastern Cape, kwa bo Port Elizabeth, re a itse gore ke gone kwa go dirwang dikoloi teng. *It is known*. A ko re itireleng gore Gamalete e nne yone *industrial hub*. Re *ready*, re buisantse rotlthe le ba Bogosi, *land board*, khansele, le ofisi ya me, rona re eme fela ka gore e re fa re tswa kwa Davos re bo re tla ka bagwebi ba ba nang le madi ba tle go aga ka fa ba simolole ka gore rona re *ready*, re ba emetse.

Kwa BCP re bua jalo gore *our jobs must be brought back*. Fa Gamalete go na le terena e e fetang e tshotse *soda ash*, letswai, e fetela kwa South Africa. Re batla gore e felele mo Gamalete, letswai le le phuthelwe fa, le dirwe fa. *Factories* tse di teng mo Gamalete, rona re *ready*. Le lefatshe le teng, le fa re ka tswa kwa kamoso ke ka ya go le go bontsha gore Tona, ke le.

Kwa Mogobane kwa go na le ditlhare ka Setswana re di bitsa dipopolere. Ditlhare tse go buega gore di ka dira *matches*. A ko re dire *factory* ya *matches* kwa Mogobane. Re ka palelwa ke go dira *matches* re le lefatshe, le se ka la bo la re le ya go tliša koloi ya motlakase, ke a le kopa tlhe, re sena le one motlakase. Ditlhare tseo di setse di le teng *Mr Speaker, I am offering* Puso e gore ba tshwaragane le nna gore e re fa ba tswa kwa Davos, kana bone ba na le *chance* ya go kopana le bangwe kwa, ke tlele go tswelela ke leka go ngoka ba ba ka tlang ka fa, mme ke tsaya gore Puso e ka gore yone e na le dithata tsa go tswela kgakajana kwa ba kopanang le bangwe teng, re bueleng. Kopo e ke tlang ka yone ke e e tswang kwa Mogobane gore *matches* o ba salang ba utlwalela gore

ditlhare tsele di ka o dira, a go diragale. Ke tlaa tswelala ke bua thata kwa *Committee of Supply* ka one mohama o wa *Trade and Entrepreneurship* gore re dire jang gore re kgone go nna le bagwebi ba bantsi.

Tlaa ke tsene mo go tsa gaetsho tsa Gamalete. *Mr Speaker*, last week ke dule mo Palamenteng, ga ke itse gore a go ne go le Labobedi ke tshematshema. *Messages* di tsena mo *phone* ya me go buega gore molapo wa rona o a tlaa. *Mr Speaker*, molapo wa Taung fa o tletse ga go na fa re tsenang teng. Fa o le ka kwano o tshwanelwa ke go robala ka kwano, fa o le ka kwa, ga o kgone go tlolela ka kwano. Ga re kgone go tla tirong fa molapo o o tletse. Beke e e fetileng re tlhotse re kokobetse fela re tshogile. Selo se se tswa bogologolong ke sala ke tsholwa nna yo ke fa, le gompiano se ntse jalo. Ke tsaya gore Puso e ntsha e, ga ke a utlwa o bua ka yone, ke kopa gore le re akanyetse. Re tsenyetseng tsela ya bobedi e e tswang ka Ramotswa, tsela e bagolo fa ke bua le bone ba e kopa ke e, e ba e ratang thata le fa e re busetsa kwa moragonyana, mme eo ba a e batla ka gore e bile e tlaabo e bula motse wa rona e re isa le kwa masimo gore kgwebo e tswelale le ka kwa masimo. Tsela e e tswang ka kwa Mothubakwane e ya go dika e wela kwa Otse. *Minister* Motshegwa e ka nna *shortcut* fa o na le *meeting* kwa Lobatse...

MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOTSHEGWA):

Elucidation. Kana kgang e ya ditlhabololo e bothokwa ka gore fa re bua ka a *developmental state*, ra re ditlhabololo di tshwanetse go akaretsa bone batho ba go buiwang ka bone. Jaanong ke ne ke emela go mo tlatsa ka ditlhabololo gore di tshwanetse go ya Ramotswa, Puso e a tlamega gore e ise ditlhabololo, mme ke dumela gore go tlaa nna jalo. Ramotswa ke legae la me la bobedi fa godimo ga la Mmadinare, go tlaa dira gore ke ye teng botoka sentle. Ke a leboga.

MR MABEO: Ke go leboga thata mokaulengwe, tota go batla re bereka jaana, re buisana. Ke akgotse fa go akgolegang teng, fa ke buang boammaaruri teng, a ko re tshwaraganeng.

Tsela e e tswang kwa Mothubakwane e ya Otse tota yone e ka re boloka thata *Mr Speaker*, re a rapela, re a e kopa. E ka re thusa fela thata gore re bule motse ole, *it is not even safe for us*. Fa go ka nna le mathata kwa Ramotswa, re ya go tlala golo go le *one*, go ya go ganyaolega batho ba le bantsi. A ko le re utlwele bothoko, selemo se le se utlwe.

Water challenges, re na le mathata a metsi a mantsi thata, e bile ga ke bone bo Tona ba metsi fa. Magope/

Disana ba na le dingwaga di ka nna 20 jaaka ke ne ke bua, go sena metsi. Le gompiano go ntse ga go na metsi, ba gelela metsi ba a rwala mo ditlhogong *from standpipes* tse di tsileng morago. *Standpipes* tse e leng gore e bile ga di bereke nako yotlhe, di bereka go nna di senyegile, e bile di a tlhabela. Kwa Magope/Disana ga ke a tla go bulela *standpipes*, ke tlile go bua ka *tender* e go saleng go builwe ka yone gotwe e dule, e bile *it is evaluated at a cost of P30 million*. Gompiano ga o ka ke wa utlwa gore gatweng. Ba Puso e e neng e tswa ba ne ba bua gore madi a bonetse, e bile a tlile. Gompiano ga go na yo o itseng gore madi ao a kae. E kgang re santse re tlaa e sala morago, le bone kwa Magope/Disana ba shakgetse thata ka kgang e. Le karabo ya maabane ba e utlwa e e buang gore e bile *project* e ya bone e ne e bidiwa Magope Phase II, e tlaa tsena mo NDP 12. Eo yone ga ba e dumele gotlhelele, ke tlaa rwala ditlhako le bone re bofe dikgole re ikatumetse kwa diofising tse di maleba ka gore e yone re batla go e sala morago. Le *tender* ya teng re e bone, e dule mo pampiring, re makadiwa ke batho ba ba ntshang *tender* go sena le fa e le thebe. E bile ga ba a kgotsofalela karabo ya ga *Minister* e e utlwalegang o kare *Minister* o batla go tsaya a ithwesa mokgweleo wa ga Domkrag. Ke kopa gore *desist from that*.

Kwa bo Tsokung, Mothubakwane, Dibatleng, Goo Ntja, Goo Tshielo, Goo Ragaobotse, Goo Nkaikela, Goo Madisa, ga go na metsi mme go sale go ntse go na le dipompo. Ke kopa gore *Minister* a tsibogeke kgang e, ke kopa gore *budget* e e re akaretse gore kgang e ya metsi e tle e fele. Kwa bo Mogobane ga go na metsi, kwa Otse le bone ba sokola ka one. Ke kopa gore *budget* e e a ko e thuse ba *office* ya WUC e e kwa Ramotswa segolo ba kgone go nna le *bowser* e nngwe ba kgone go tla ka metsi. Go na le jojo *tanks* tse di beilweng fale, ba tlhabela le go di tshela metsi.

Mr Speaker, dikole tse di kwa Gamalete di makgasa thata, mme ke tlaa bua ka di le mmalwa. Tota tsotlhe di makgasa, di tlhoka gore di baakanngwe. E bile ke dumalane le *Minister of Basic Education* e le tsala ya me Mme Kgafela-Mokoka gore re tlaa ya Mogobane beke e e tlang. Sekole sele se tlhomola pelo sa Mogobane Junior, ke batla gore le sone re ye mmogo. Le fa e le wena *Vice President*, please sele sone ke batla gore re ye kwa go sone. *It is in a terrible state*, tsala ya me o tlaa intshwarela, *I cannot believe that you went to Finland* sekole sele se ntse jaaka se ntse jaana. *Plane ticket alone* e ka bo e tsentse *board*. Please a ko *priorities* tsa rona re di baakanye. *Right now* re ka bo re ntse fa



fatshe re baakanya seemo, tse tsa bo *traveling* di tlaa tla jara e e tlang. Jara e re ka bo re ntse fa fatshe, e ya go simolola re re re ya *to benchmark*, le maDomkrag ba sala ba *benchmark*, re ntse re fano. Tsala ya me o tlaa intshwabela *but* ele ya Finland le fa re ka betšha, ga se yone.

Baitlotli Junior Secondary School ga ba na le fa e le yone *kitchen*, ke ipotsa gore fa dipula tsele tsa *last week* di na, ba ne ba apeela fa kae. Ya dikole tota yone ke ka tsena mo go yone ke ka bua motshegare otlhe, tota mme yone e tshwanetse gore re e ele tlhoko. A ko re *prioritise* sentle ke a kopa. Nako tsa *travelling* di santse di tlaa tla. Go tlaa siama. *Please*, a re akanyetseng bana ba. Ga e ka ke ya re dibuka, *textbooks* di tlhabela le dilo tse tsotlhe... *Please* ke a le kopa.

Creative industry; *Mr Speaker*, kwa Gamalete re na le *an abundance* ya talente. Talente e ntsi thata kwa Gamalete ya *creative industry*; re na le baopedi, *actors*, *script writers*, *cameramen* le *producers*. Re Hollywood e le mmogo kwa Gamalete fa re ne re filwe *chance*. Ke buile gape maloba ke kopa gore *let go of mass media*. *I am saying it again; let go of mass media*. Bana ba ba ka dira madi, ba ka tlhabolola. A ko re tshwaneng le South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) go se go nene. Botswana Television (Btv); dikgang ba tlogele go tsamaya ba setse Matona morago. Fa go iwa go tlhola sekole, o se ka wa ba wa tla ka Btv beke e e tlang *Minister*, ba tlogele ba senke dikgang tsa boammaaruri. Gore re ya kwa sekoleng re ya go se tlhola ga se dikgang. *You cannot broadcast that on national television* gore Blancha o ne a na le *Minister* kwa Mogobane. Ga se dikgang golo moo. Re tshwanetse gore re tsiboge re baakanye. Fa le ka tlogela Btv, Radio Botswana tsotlhe ka bobedi le DailyNews le tlile go mpha letsogo, bana ba ba ya go le makatsa, ba ya go dira ditiro tse dintsi, ba ya go dira madi. Jaaka o bona *budget* e e tlhalelwa ke madi jaana, a mangwe a ka bo a tla a tswa kwa go bone. Ba lekeletse *Mr Speaker*, *they deserve a chance*. *The creative industry can be so much better*.

Mr Speaker, kwa Gamalete re sokola thata ka kgang ya ditsela. Go na le kgang e re e fitlhetseng e e buang gore go ne go na le 25 kilometres (km) yo e bile a neng a lebega a le *close to be awarded*. 25km yo a neng a tlile go re thusa. Kwa bo Tsokung ga ba na ditsela, beke e e fetileng go ne go sa tsamaeage gotlhelele. Le fa motho a re o ya go ba tlhola jaana, ka gore mmu wa teng o seloko fa pula e nele, ba a sokala. Kwa bo Mothubakwane, ntlheng tsele tsa bo Magope go mathata. Re kopa gore 25km yo, ke a itse gore go lebega e ne e le *awarded* ka

Development Manager (DM) *Model*. Tona dira o fetse ka *report* ya gago o tle go re thusa, e e tshwanelwa ke gore re e dire. *Last week* ba ne ba sa kgone go tsamaya gotlhelelele, le dikoloi di ne di sa kgone go tsena. Go ne go tsena dikoloi fela tse di turang tse e leng gore gongwe rona ga re ise re nne natso. Re santse re emetse gore le tsose itsholelo re tle re kgone go reka dikoloi tse di botoka, ra tsamaya gongwe le gongwe. Mo nakong ya gompieno re a sokola ka ditsela tsele tsa Gamalete.

Mr Speaker, gatwe go na le *vote* e bidiwa B1 le B14 e e dirang ditsela ya kwa *Local Government* kwa dikhanseleng. Kwa garona ba tsere madi a teng otlhe. Le re na le seemo se se ntseng jaana mo e leng gore fa dipula tse di tsamaile, segolo re ne re ka ya go riananyana ra baakanya, ga gona sepe mo *vote* eo. Gatwe Goromente yo motona o tsere P20 *million*. Ba nthomile ba kwa Tsokung, Magope, ba Gamalete ba re ba utlwele botlhoko, ba tle go tshela ditselanyana tse pedi, tse tharo go tsamaeage. Go batla lekgwarapanyana bogolo, *temporary gravel* fela.

Mr Speaker, ke simolotse ke bua ka bagolo le *tandabala* ke tla ka ditebogo. Ka maswabi ke tla ka tse dingwe, ke romilwe ke ba bangwe gape banana. *The students* ba botsa gore *allowance* ya bone ya P2, 500.00 e le ba e solofeditseng e tla leng? Ba re ke le gakolole le se ka la lebala gore Puso e ya lona ke ya ma-2000. Ke bone ba ba le tlhophileng, ba re tlhophile. Ba nthomile ba re a kae? Ba a botsa gore a kae maP2, 500.00 *dawg*? A kae ma P2, 500.00 a lefatshe leno *dawg*? A kae ma P2, 500.00 a re ba a solofeditseng, a a goroge. Ba ba sa berekeng...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Clarification*
Mopalamente wa Ramotswa.

MR MABEO: Kamal, ke tlaa go neela tlhe abuti tla ke riane.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Okay! Okay! *O gana* to yield.

MR MABEO: I yield for Kamal my good friend.

MR JACOBS: *Clarification*. Ke a leboga Mopalamente wa Ramotswa. Mopalamente, *do you remember* gore rona ba UDC re ntse re le mo Pusong *only for three months*? Ga ke tseye gore *you can expect* maduo a a kanakana a maP2, 500.00 le a o buang ka one *within a period of three months*. *Thank you Mr Speaker*.

MR MABEO: Nna ka re monna yo ke tsala ya me. Naare o rijang Kamal? Kamal, rraetsho dipuo tse re

neng re di bua re le kwa dipepereng *we need to take them seriously*. Dikgang tse ke tlang ka tsone fa ga se tsa me, ke tse ke tsamaileng metse ya Gamalete e mene e metona, ke buile le banana le bagolo. Ke ne ke bua gore ba a le akgola ka P1, 400.00, jaanong ke bua ka P2, 500.00 o lwa ntwa. Ba batla P2, 500.00 bana ba dikole ba le ba solofeditseng gore *allowance* eo e etla. Ba ba sa berekeng bone ba batla P2, 500.00 wa Ipelegeng yo re neng re bua ka ene. Ba re ke tle go le botsa. Fa ke ka se ke ka botsa fa, ba ya go feta ba mpotsa. Ke tllile go le botsa, ke tla ke tshotse thomo. Ke tla ka dipotso tse di tswang kwa gae. P2, 500.00 a a goroge.

Go bo go nna le kgang ya P4, 000.00. P4, 000.00 yo o tswa kwa Choppies, re leboga Choppies mme le ene re a mo itse gore ga se gore ke ene sentle gakere. Ba botsa gore P4, 000.00 o goroga leng kwa dikomponeng tse dingwe fa e le gore yo wa Choppies e ne e le rona re ipeileng kwa pele re galalediwa, e bile re itumela gore re tllile ka P4, 000.00. Tsamayang le ye go bua le ba Spar. Fa e le gore ke lona ba le neng le bua le ba Choppies, le tlogeletse eng ba Spar, Bolux e e kwa Gamalete le ba Tswana Steel? Ke ka ya go le bontsha kwa ba teng gore ke e *company*, Somalia ke e, Bolux ke e. Ke ka tsamaya le lona ka ya go le bontsha kwa Tswana Pride gore ke e. Ke tlaa tsamaya le lona ke ya go le bontsha ka gore ba a botsa gore ke eng ba bangwe e kare ba sekegetswe tsebe, bone ba sekegelwa tsebe leng?

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MR MABEO: Go na le ba bangwe ba ba nthomileng gape *Madam Speaker*... Ehee le ne la fetola! *Madam Speaker*, ke botswa ke babereki ba ga Goromente ba ba amogelang kwa tlase ga ga P4, 000.00...

MADAM SPEAKER (MS MANYENENG): Point of order Honourable Barongwang.

MR BARONGWANG: *Point of order*. Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*, ke go dumedise. Ke kopa fela gore o leke o tsenye mokaulengwe mo tseleng. Melao ya dituelo ga go tewe phathi e e busang e tsamaya e raya dikompone e re dirang jaana, dirang jaana, go dirisiwa molao. Molao ke one fela o o ka dirisiwang gore go ka patelediwa mongwe gore o ka dira se se tshwanetseng. Jaanong fa go ise go nne le molao o o ntseng jalo, ga re ka ke ra tla re tsamaya le wena re go setse morago. Molao a e nne one o o re isang kwa go tshwanetseng teng, e seng wena *honourable*. Ke a leboga.

MR MABEO: *Okay*, so o ne a tlotla fela? Rra, P4,

000.00 yo ke lona le neng le bua ka ene, le tshwanetse gore le arabe. Go tshwanetse gore go botswe mang; go botswe babusi. Fa re le botsa jaana re a le gakolola re bua le lona monate thata.

Ke batla go wela ka e nngwe ke e *Madam Speaker*; badirelapuso ba ba amogelang kwa tlase ga P4, 000.00 le bone ba nthomile ba re ga tla jang e kare le ba lebetse ka gore le mo Pusong? Bone ke eng le sa ba re thaa! *one time*, a bo le feditse segolo ka a *demographic* e e rileng.

Ke batla go bua ka e nngwe ke e; *forensic audit*. Lefoko le le lebege le le lentle thata, le le monate. Fa ke tsamaya mo Kgotla *meetings* kwa Gamalete ga ba e eme nokeng. *Forensic audit* e go saleng go buiwa ka yone, gone mme ga ke itse gore a le kile la bua gore le tsamaya fa kae ka yone.

A le bone bangwe, kana le santse le baakanya *tender document* kana le fa kae? Kwa Gamalete ga ba e eme nokeng, ba re ba batla *something similar to Truth and Reconciliation* because re tshentshile Puso, *we are from a long period* ya dilo tse di bosula. Fa go nna jaana, re nnile le *revolution* mo Botswana jaaka kwa South Africa, *let us have Truth and Reconciliation*, batho ba re ba beye fatshe ba re ba batlang ba ba tsereng. Yo o duelang, a bo a busa sengwe le sengwe, re ka kgona gore re mo itshwarele. E seng jalo re ya go tsaya 20 years re re re senkana le batho...

MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOTSHEGWA):

Point of order. Nnyaa, ke batla go botsa gore *will it be in order* gore se se tlhalosiwang ke Mopalamente fa a re *Truth and Reconciliation* gore jaaka e le ba BCP ba dumela gore mo Pusong e e sa tswang go feta, go na le disinyi le dinokwane mo go yone, *can there be reconciliation* le batho ba mofuta oo?

MR MABEO: *Madam Speaker*, legale ba dira sentle ba nna ba nkemisa gore ke kgwe setshwe, yole o ne a tlotla fela le ene ga kere. Kwa Gamalete ba re ba kopa sengwe sa mofuta oo gore re tle re kgone gore madi a re a kgobokanye ka bonako. South Africa fa e ne e rile ba tswa mo *apartheid* ba bo ba tsaya *forensic audits* le ditsheko, le gompiano go ka bo go santse go sekwa. *Truth and Reconciliation* ya bone e tsere *two years* fela. Ka re re a itse rotlhe, re ne re ntse re bua jalo le kwa dipepereng, mme gompiano le nna *technical*, ga ke itse gore *are you saving* Domkrag kana ga ke le tshware sentle, a ko re lateleng ba ba sentseng ba buse. Yo o



busang a bo a bua gore o ne a na le mang, ba senya eng kae. Re bo re mo itshwarela, kana re bo re ka mo fokoletsa molato gore re tle re kgone gore re tsise madi a. Ga kere rotlhe re lela ka gore madi a tlhabela, ga a yo? Madi gore re a latele, ke gore re nne fatshe, re buisanye gore a tle, a le tlholang le bua ka one le re a utswilwe, go rileng, re fitlhetse go senyegile, dilo tseo re ka di dira jalo.

Ke kopa gore le itse mo gore Pusong e ntsha, rona re bagakolodi ba lona. Re itumetse gore re bo re le *opposition* go busa lona, ga re le fufagele gotlhelele. Fa le ka se ka la ikela tlhoko, yone Transitional National Development Plan e, le tlaa nna a *transitional Government* ya five years.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: Time is up Honourable Mabeo. Honourable Shawn Ntlhaile, Gaborone North Member of Parliament.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR NTLHAILE): Thank you Madam Speaker. *Mma ke go dumedise mmaetsho ke bo ke dumedise Mapalamente ba ba leng fano, mme ke simolole ke lebagane le Budget Speech kana tshekatsheko e re e beilweng fano ya tekanyetso ya madi a setshaba.* Madam Speaker, I would like to use this opportunity to express my admiration for the capable leadership of Mr President Advocate Duma Gideon Boko, the President of the Republic of Botswana and the head of the ruling UDC party. Mr President, you were recently appointed Chairman of the African Leaders Malaria Alliance by the African Union during its 38th Summit in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. This achievement is greatly valued...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)

MR NTLHAILE: I extend my gratitude to the Minister of Finance, His Honour the Vice President Ndaba Nkosinathi Gaolathe and his team, who rose to the challenge and presented a carefully thought-out, an inclusive budget before this August House.

Ke supe Madam Speaker gore ka nako e go bothokwa gore ke lemoge ka fa go faphegileng ka teng Her Excellency, our First Lady mmaarona Kaone Boko for advocacy against gender violence. Ke supe gore mmaetsho through her programmes and efforts, o tswelitse empowering bana ba basetsana le basimane.

Ke ene "mmangwana o tshwara thipa ka fa bogaleng."

Madam Speaker, o dira jaana ka boithaopo, go sena thulaganyo epe mme ke kope Ntlo e e fano go sekaseka jone boithaopo jo jwa mmasetshaba ka tiro e a e dirang. Re mo leboge re bo re mo eme nokeng ka tsotlhe tse re ka di kgonang fa re ntse re tsutlaganya fale le fale.

My heartfelt gratitude goes to everyone affected by the ongoing heavy rains and my condolences to those families that lost their loved ones. *Ke lebagane gape le ba Gaborone Bokone ba ba mo pitlaganong, ba ba amilweng bobbe ke dipula tsa matlakadibe. Matshelo a bone a mo makgwakgweng, bontsi jwa bone ba latlhegetswe ke dithoto tse ba neng ba kgonne go di kgobokanya fale le fale.*

Ke re bagaetsho, re na le lona mo dipitlaganong tse di kana. Goromente yo ke mo go ene o eme ka natla o dira tsotlhe tse a ka di bonang go hema matshelo a Batswana botlhe. Ke re dithapelo tsa rona le dikakanyo tsa rona letsatsi le letsatsi le fa re dikologa, re mo go tsone.

Ke lemogile gore Puso e, the Disaster Management Team le yone go bothokwa re ba ame ka lefoko la kgothatso Madam Speaker, re le Ntlo e, re lemoge boineelo jo ba bo dirileng ba baya matshelo a bone mo makgwakgweng gore ba kgone go thusa tshaba ya ga bone.

Ke re sone se Madam Speaker, le kwa Gaborone Bokone, ba dirile maiteko otlhe. Kwa dikgaolwaneng tsa bo Ledumang ba kgonne go epa mesele ya go faposa metsi fa a neng a supa a le borai teng. Ke re go santse go na le dikgaolo dingwe jaaka bo Tsholofelo East, Marang, Tsogang le kwa Block 10 kwa e leng gore go na le mathata a matona a e leng gore le bone go tlaa tlhokega gore Puso kana bone ba khansele ba tshwaragane le ba Disaster Management Team ba ye go tsenya leitlho teng ba batle dikatakata le diepi tse ditona tse di ka kgonang gore e re fa pula e santse e kgaoditse, ba lebelele fa metsi a fetang ka bokete teng pele ga a tsena fa go nnang batho teng. Ba epe mesele e metona e e ka faposang metsi. Gone moo, e ka nna sengwe se e leng gore se ka thusa go ba namola mo mathateng a dipula tse di re wetseng.

Madam Speaker, at this moment, I would like to turn to the Budget Speech by the Minister of Finance, His Honour the Vice President, Ndaba Nkosinathi Gaolathe and at the same time, I would like to respond to the Leader of the Opposition, Honourable Saleshando's response to the budget. I want to say, the 2025/2026

budget, which comes at a very difficult time in our economy, lays a very good foundation of the UDC Government's political economy. We are talking about the social democratic programme. In addition to the fundamental issues of low economic growth, extreme and pervasive poverty, inequality and rising unemployment that were noted in the UDC manifesto, there are numerous other issues Madam Speaker such as inadequate financial management, inefficiencies, corruption and low productivity, that we inherited from the previous regime.

The budget then replied to each of the UDC's six pillars based on their priorities, for example, the budget demonstrates the Government's commitment to expanding and diversifying the economy in order to ensure its long term sustainability. Consequently, Madam Speaker, this budget emphasises the UDC Government's commitment to establishing social democratic person centered and human rights based programmes.

This represents Madam Speaker, a comprehensive long term framework that the UDC both as a party and a governing body has committed to over the next five years *e seng* three months *jaaka* our colleagues on the other side of the isle *ba gopola*. It embodies a deeply rooted philosophical approach to development, *ga re thule fela* Madam Speaker. Rather than a collection of isolated initiatives as portrayed by LOO Honourable Saleshando and his BCP. The Government's budget is centered on implementing a development programme that is both inclusive and sustainable. It is not merely a repetition or restatement of the issues outlined in the manifesto and SONA. The key concern is whether the budget is likely to meet UDC's development goals and the answer Madam Speaker is an emphatic yes, it is.

Yet, we set ourselves to revive the economy, *ga re ise re tsoge fela re bo re re ya go dira dilo tse*, we know they are based on proper planning, the budget states both in right up and allocation that this first budget will devote over 30.5 per cent on reviving infrastructure.

Agriculture, green economy, tourism and land. This is in line with pillar one of the UDC Manifesto, for your own information comrades.

The budget has talked at length about democracy and good governance of the UDC Manifesto. The DCEC, procurement, tax reforms, efficiency, productivity are all measures of good governance that the budget is elaborate on.

Our Pillar number three speaks of land, housing and environment; Madam Speaker, our Government has made a bold move towards launching Botho Housing Scheme. This is one of the initiatives that will be coming through this Government. The budget is elaborate on provision of land, housing, electricity, water and value adding and support to the neediest of our people.

The fourth Pillar of the UDC's Manifesto is education, human resource development and research and development. This Government has demonstrated its commitment to this pillar by dividing this pillar into two substantive ministries, being the Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education and that of Higher Education. *Se supa tlhwaafalo e bagarona ba BCP ba sa boneng bokgoni le botswerere jwa gore sengwe le sengwe go ipaakangwa pele ga go tsewa dikgato tse di gogelang setšhaba kwa lefatsheng la kanana.*

Through this, its narrative and allocation, this budget has showed serious commitment to Human Resource Development and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) type of curriculum. It has prioritised Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), R&D, reform of institutions and improvements of living allowances in learners starting with those on TVET programs.

The P2, 500.00 is coming, there is no turning back. This is a commitment of the UDC Government and we are not apologetic comrades about it. Three months; we are not hiding behind the three months, we are saying we are on our journey, it starts by looking at the laws and regulations. Those are the foundations before you arrive at implementing the actual targets that we set for this Government.

Teacher training and retraining and digitalisation are well articulated and prioritised on the budget.

Pillar number five of the UDC Manifesto is on health care, social security, art and sport, youth and gender. The budget is quite elaborate on each of this. It refers to relocation of clinics back to Local Government, Child Welfare of P300.00 to pregnant and nursing mothers, old age pension of P1, 400.00 that we have met now but, this comes in phases, we are on our journey towards achieving our goals, our target of P1 800. Rest well assured.

A shift from clinical to primary health care and provisions of more health workers and medicines in health infrastructure.



Madam Speaker, gender, youth and sports are extensively discussed and allocated for in this budget. So, it is dishonest of LOO, Honourable Saleshando and the BCP to claim that UDC budget is not aligned to the party's manifesto promises. It is in fact simplistic and playing to the gallery to list items in UDC's Manifesto and alleged that because they are not repeated in the budget, therefore, the UDC Government has retracted on its promises.

As stated earlier, this is wishful thinking and UDC is on calls to achieve its broad strategic goals and the specific promises in time for 2029.

The firm position on our Government's commitment, to realise its promises has been repeated over and over by our President, Vice President (VP) as well as Ministers, Members of Parliament (MPs) and other party representatives. Ours is not a box ticking approach but a serious commitment that constitutes party's DNA. By the way, we do not need BCP's politics which is driven by anger and frustration to tell us what, how and when to speak to Batswana...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)...

MR NTLHAILE: Our record is delivery after five years and not cheap BCP's sloganeering. We would decide whether Batswana will return UDC Government to power in 2029. Madam Speaker, BCP which argues that UDC is dishonest, disingenuous, itself has failed to do a diligent job in responding to the 2025/2026 budget.

The 15 paged response by LOO is an emotional outburst repetition of the Honourable Saleshando's now very familiar and highly predictable rhetorics. Batswana are of course too familiar with Honourable Saleshando's style of playing to the gallery talk, which largely misses the great opportunity to make substantive contribution and give Batswana clear policy alternatives. For instance in the first session of this 13th Parliament Honourable Saleshando told Batswana that he was establishing a shadow cabinet so that as the official opposition they can be more focused and more effectively provide alternative policies to those of UDC in different sectors. Where are those policy alternatives? Instead the 15 paged document is just on UDC promises and on small section of the claims of policy convergence with UDC, "nnyaa kana le rona we promised P1,400, lona P1 800," the LOO's response does not address the budget sector by sector on economic strategy, agriculture, education, energy, mining and so forth. The question is, does BCP

have policy positions on each of these sectors or not? If it does have alternative policy why did then you not put them up so that Batswana can hear and decide whether indeed they are different and better, why? Talk is cheap comrades, for instance the LOO and BCP says, "UDC's projected 3.3 annual rate of growth is both lower than UDC's initial projection of 10 per cent per annum and Vision 2036 six per cent required to transform the economy into a high-income status," he is correct on both occasions, but he did not tell us what his alternative rate of growth is and what strategies BCP will use to achieve it.

Madam Speaker, I am forced to rush now to 10. I am skipping some paragraphs because I would like to touch on a very important issue...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR HIKUAMA: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga Madam Speaker, ke a leboga Honourable Ntlhaile for yielding... Oh, ga o a mpitsa, oh sorry!

MR NTLHAILE: Madam Speaker, let me continue with my thought train please, the time is not on my side. Madam Speaker, I would like to focus on Gaborone North...

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Ntlhaile, o ne o mo file kana o ne a iphile? Honourable Hikuama.

MR HIKUAMA: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga. Mma ke itlhaganele ka gore nako ya gago e a tsamaya, o bua ka gore BCP ga e a supa gore *growth rate* ya yone e ka nna jang, o raya e supa fa kae, fa e tshwere eng? Kana gompieno go buiwa ka Botswana *Government* e e tsamaisiwang ke UDC. Mo *manifesto* wa yone BCP e supile gore e ka godisa itsholelo jang, jaanong o raya e supa fa kae ka gore mo *manifesto* wa yone o Batswana ba sa dumalanang le one e buile?

MR NTLHAILE: Noted comrade, *nnyaa ga le a bua sepe mokaulengwe, amogela fela gore ga go na sepe* that you presented. Madam Speaker, in Gaborone North situation, the picture *ya* Gaborone North, I want to submit as follows, in 2004 the Government undertook the preparation of the Gaborone North structure plan, a comprehensive planning document that formalised the integration of Gaborone North farms into a residential neighbourhood within the Gaborone City area. This decision was made to address the pressing need for land, to accommodate the city's growing population and to facilitate economic growth. Over the past 20 years

residents of Gaborone North have built their community with minimal political support or investment, inessential urban infrastructure and governance from Government. According to the 2022 population and housing census Gaborone North now has an estimated population of approximately 6,000 people. I am referring to Gaborone North suburbs, and is already facing significant pressure on roads, water, sewer and electricity due to the lack of planned infrastructure provision.

Madam Speaker, Gaborone North is a vast area with significant portions still underdeveloped. At full capacity based on the 2005 Gaborone North structure plan it is projected to accommodate approximately 42,000 people, potentially making it the most densely populated area in the capital city. Given this reality it is imperative that Government takes decisive action to ensure that infrastructure keeps pace with this growth. It would be inconceivable for a responsible Government to prepare a plan for a neighbourhood, incorporate it into the capital city and then fail to provide the basic infrastructure necessary for sustainable urban living. This is the situation that was created by the previous regime, that we must move away from.

The prospect of a fully developed Gaborone North with over 40,000 residents yet without the requisite infrastructure is not just concerning, it would be a significant oversight and a deviation from our commitment to inclusive and people centred development. The principles of universal access to basic services, including clean water... *batho ba Kgaphamadi ga ba na le one metsi a a nowang*. Sanitation and hygiene as championed by United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) and the Sustainable Development Goals must be upheld. We cannot afford to let a future unfold where thousands of households in Gaborone North rely on septic tanks, risking contamination of the city's ground water. This is a scenario we must prevent through proactive planning and investment.

Madam Speaker, we must act now, I propose the following key steps to address the challenges facing Gaborone North...

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF WATER AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT (MR MOTSAMAI): *Elucidation.* Ke a leboga Madam Speaker. Ke leboge Mopalamente go bo a tshwere dikgang tsa Gaborone North ka bokgabane kana ka botswerere. Ke mo solofetse, ke bo ke solofetse gape gore le jaaka ke letse ke mmolelela maabane gore

office ya rona e tshwennngwa ke seemo sa metsi ale a Gaborone North, mme re ikaelela gore mo lebakeng le le khutshwane re tsamae le ene re ye go bona seemo ka namana re le Matona a ofisi ya metsi. Re tle re bone gore batho ba Gaborone North ba ka thusiwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke a leboga.

MR NTLHAILE: Thank you very much my Honourable Minister, indeed we did discuss and I was going to acknowledge that. Here the Government needs to come up...our Government, my Government, will and is going to come up with a clear Government policy commitment. The Government in other words must provide an unequivocal statement affirming that Gaborone North is an integral part of the capital city and should be fully included in the normal circles of budgeting for key infrastructure services. This is not an option as I indicated, it is our responsibility to the people.

Urgent implementation of road and drainage infrastructure, the main road network and stormwater drainage system for Gaborone North must be designed and implemented as a matter of priority.

Recognising fiscal constraints *tse re mo go tsona*, a phased implementation approach can be adopted to ensure steady progress. Where Gaborone City Council (GCC) had budgeted *gore ba a go dirisa* P15 million to cover all the roads, we are proposing that *batho ba Gaborone bogolo go simololwe ka tsela e le nngwe, le fa e ka nna* P5 million *kana* P3 million, but we have to show that commitment as a responsible human rights based Government. *Ke selelo sa batho ba Gaborone North.*

Water and sewer reticulation system; addressing water and sewer infrastructure, is not just a necessity for residents, but also an environmental imperative. A properly designed and implemented system will safeguard public health and ensure sustainable urban growth.

Electricity, infrastructure and capacity upgrades; an upgraded electricity network is critical to support both residential and economic development in Gaborone North. This will stimulate investment, create jobs, and enhance the overall quality of life Madam Speaker.

We also propose *gore*, kwa Gaborone North, we should focus on advancing smart and sustainable urban development. Gaborone North *e re fa* an opportunity *ya go simolola*, move away from the old way of thinking.



E bue ka smart and sustainable urban development. The measures outlined above, represent the minimum that Government should provide. However, we must go beyond basic infrastructure and seize the opportunity to implement innovative urban solutions. Gaborone North can be a model for smart and sustainable urban development. Incorporating green energy parks, smart lighting, waste recycling and efficient smart public transportation. Building confidence in the future of Gaborone as a smart city. If we aspire to develop Gaborone into a true smart city, we must demonstrate commitment by first addressing fundamental service delivery challenges. Our people must see tangible progress, to believe in the vision we set for the future.

Strategic transport infrastructure development, I have started the conversation around issues of roads in Gaborone North with my fellow Minister Honourable Salakae who has promised to come and investigate, and see how we can approach this issue. The ongoing flash floods in Gaborone, highlighted critical weakness in our cities infrastructure, planning, implementation. Our cities development plan shows that Gaborone North offers strategic opportunity to develop an alternative road parallel to A1, connecting Sir Seretse Khama International Airport, passing through Gaborone North on the western side, and linking with the A1 beyond Mmamashia. That is what we should address urgently, to address the current disaster. Prioritising such projects will enhance mobility and resilience in our capital city.

A forward looking approach to governance; Madam Speaker, it is time we move away from outdated approaches where governance is more focused on explaining policy constraints than on delivering solution. This Government must and my Government that I represent here, must be proactive in adapting regulations to meet the evolving needs of our people.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)

MR NTLHAILE: Our role is not to justify why the previous BDP policies prevent progress, but rather to ensure that our policies evolve to create positive change.

In conclusion Madam Speaker, the future of Gaborone North is the future of Gaborone itself, let us make the right choices today, ensuring that we build a world service and forward thinking capital city. Thank you Madam Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)

MR FRENZEL (SHASHE WEST): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Tlaa ke tseye sebaka se, ke lebogele nako e ke e filweng, ke bo ke dumedisa le ba ba ntlisitseng kwano e leng ba Kgaolo ya Shashe West. Ke ema jaana ke le mo selesong mo kgaolong e ke tswang mo go yone, mo nakong ya gompiano ke dilelo fela. Ga re ke lele le bone fa ke neetswe sebaka. E rile mo malatsing a a fetileng a a seng kae, ka nna le tiragalo nngwe kwa Borolong, e ngwana a wetseng mo lehuting le le tletseng metsi. Ya re maloba fa re tswa fela mo phitlhong kwa Mabesekwa, ka nna le ngwana a kgamiwa ke morula, a bo a tsamaya. E rile maabane kwa Makobo kwa, fa batho ba ya letsemeng, ba bona kotsi ya koloi e bo e gapa matshelo a batho ba le babedi. Ke dingwe tsa ditiragalo tse di botlhoko, tse di diragetseng mo kgaolong ya me. Ke sa balele ya motho yo e rileng maabane le ene a nna le bothata jwa go fitlhelwa ka serwe sa nama, mapodise ya re ba sena go mo tsaya a ya go tlhokafalela mo diatleng tsa bone. Gore jang, ga re itse, mme ke ditiragalo tse di bosula tse di botlhoko tse di diragetseng mo kgaolong ya me. Jaanong ke nako ya gore gongwe le ba ba tsamaileng ka ditsela tse dingwe tse e seng tsone kana tse e leng go tsewa ke Modimo ke re, a mewa ya bone e gomotsege mo nakong ya gompiano.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, thatathata pele ke leboge Modimo. Kana Modimo fa a go neela, ga a go neele a re tsaya madi kana se a tlaabong a se go neela. Ga a se go neele se tshela, o go se neela ka ditiro. Ke leboge gore Modimo o ile a fa phathi ya UDC sebaka sa gore e tle e etelele pele lefatshe la Botswana, morago ga gore phathi ya BDP e tseye Puso, ya busa dingwaga tse 58 tse di fetileng.

Le fa go ntse jalo, yo ke leng fa ke eme fela ke le fa gare ke ntse jaana. Ke itumelela gore phathi ya UDC e rile e mpona ke latlhegile, ya nkgoga ya re tla re tsamaye rotlhe. Ya nthaya ya re, tlaya mosepele ke o re bone gore re age lefatshe le. Batlotlegi ka fa ba Kganetso, ke ne ke itheile ka re gongwe ba tlaa tsenya mongwe wa rona jaaka re ntse mo *line* fa, mo *shadow cabinet* ya bone, mme ba re timile...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Laughter!)

MR FRENZEL: Fa ba re timile jalo, go raya gore jaanong totatota ke sekao sa gore go na le kwa re tshwanetseng gore re bo re wela teng...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)



MR FRENZEL: Fa go ntse jalo...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR FRENZEL: Ema pele, ke gone ke simololang. Gakere o a bona gore le lona le a bo le simolola go tlhasela UDC, e na le *three months* fela mo Pusong. Jaanong ga e ka ke ya re ke simolola ke ise ke bue dintlha tsa me o bo o ntlhasela. Ema pele.

Jaanong e rile mo letsatsing la gompiano, go bo go dirwa ditumalano le Debswana, tse e rileng Motlotlegi Mothusa Tautona e leng *Minister of Finance* a ntsha dintlha tsa gagwe, a supa ka fa go yang go nna le tumalano ka teng. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse re di lebogelang, re bone gore go raya gore re na le mosepele. Le fa go ntse jalo, ga re re fete re ba gakolola le bone ba Debswana gore fa ba dirang teng, re tshwanelwa ke gore re nne re bone gore Batswana ba re tshelang le bone ba le gautshwane, re ba thuse. Lucara e rile fa e tsena, e ne ya supa kwa Letlhakane, ya dira *stadium*, matlhabelo, ya thusa ba Mokubilo ka *farm* e e gone fa le e e thusang batho ba Mokubilo. Kwa go rona kwa Borolong, ya re thusa ya re ntshetsa madi a a neng a tla a thusa kwa *park* ya rona le fa e ise e bulwe, mme ba thusitse. Seo re batla go bona le Debswana e se dira.

O supile fa a ne a tla ka pego ya gagwe Mothusa Tautona, gore go tlaa nna le mmereko e e tlaa bulegang kwa *Mine* wa Khoemacau. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse re tshwanetseng gore re di leboegele, re bone gore go raya gore golo fa re na le kwa re yang teng. E rile fa a ntse a bega, a supa gore e tlaa re mo dingwageng tse five tse di tlaabong di tla, go tlaa nna le kago ya matlo a a ka tshwarang 100 000. A lebeletse gore Motswana ka boene, o tshwanelwa ke gore a bo a na le fa a bayang thogo teng. Seo re tshwanelwa ke gore re se leboegele...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR FRENZEL: Fa go ntse jaana, go na le dikgang tse di ntsi tse e leng gore e rile fa ke sena go e begelwa, ke e bala le nna, ka itumelela dilo dingwe mo teng. Mo *page 16* e rile fa a ntse a bala, a bua ka *modernising and transforming infrastructure*. Sengwe sa dilo tse di bothokwa fa re bua ka botshelo jwa letsatsi le letsatsi. E bile ke itumetse thata gore o bo o e neetse madi a a kana ka P11.54 *billion*. Ke rata thata fa go ntse jalo gore tsela e e tswang Mandunyane, e e tswelletseng pele, e e yang go wela kwa Mathangwane e bo e tswelsetse, re sa e emisa. Tsela e e tswang mo Francistown e ya go wela kwa Nata, re bo re sa e emisa. Re tlaabo re ntse re e tlhodumela, re e sekaseka, yone e tswelsetse pele.

Ke sengwe sa dilo tse re tshwanelwang ke gore re di leboegele.

Le fa go ntse jalo re na le letlhoko, re lebelele tsa ditsela. Fa o lebeletse tsela ya me e e tswang gone fa *junction* ya tsela e e yang kwa Maun o wela mo Borolong, ga e tsamaege. E bile mo nakong ya gompiano ya dipula, e a bo e le mafuti fela a e leng gore fa koloi e wela mo teng, le thaere ga e ka ke ya tswa foo e tshela. Ke nngwe ya ditsela tse e leng gore e kare fa tsela e re e tsayang go tswa Francistown e fetela kwa Nata-Gweta e sena go wela, re bo re ka e sekaseka. Ra bona gore re ka e dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang gore re e tlhabolole.

Re lebelela tsela e e tshwanang le fa o tswa kwa Mmashoro o wela ka Mokubilo. O bo e re o tswa Mokubilo, o feta ka Matsitama o ya go wela kwa Moseitse. Ke nngwe ya ditsela tse e leng gore e ka re di le teng di agilwe, ga fokoletsa batho ba le bantsi mosepele o ba o tsayang ka go dikologa ba ya kwa Letlhakane, ba dikologa ba tsena ka tsela ya Francistown.

Re ntse re le foo, re tshwanelwa ke gore re lebelele ditsela tsa rona ka fa di leng ka teng segolobogolo mo toropong ya Francistown. Mo nakong ya gompiano, *trucks* tse di tsamayang mo tseleng ele, o ka utlwa le wena o tshoga o ipotsa gore ke ka tsela e e ntseng jang. *Projects* tsotlhe tse ke ntseng ke di balolola segolobogolo tse di simolotseng *Honourable Speaker*; ke rata Tona yo o lebaneng a di sale morago thata go bona gore go berekelwa mo nakong.

Mongwe maabane o ne a nthaya a re, naare *company* e e dirang tsela ya Francistown-Mathangwane e tsamaya fa kae, a re o utlwa gotwe kwa Kutamogoree ba setse ba le kgakala. Ke kopa Tona yo o maleba, re bone gore ditsela re di sala morago, di tle di kgonagale, di wele ka nako e e beilweng.

Tona, e rile o ntse o tsamaya wa bua ka *to transform the agricultural sector*. Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse di ntle thata. Matshelo a rona a letsatsi le letsatsi, re a bo re lebeletse dikgang tsa rona segolo thata ka gore Batswana re balemi-barui. Re tshwanelwa ke gore re bone ba re thusanang le bone segolo jang balemisi le bakenti, ba le gautshwane. Fa ke tshwere diphuthego tsa Kgotla kwa Mathangwane, ba ne ba supa ka fa *office* ya molemisi e suleng ka teng, e bile e ka se ke e tsenege. Ke a kopa ka tsweetswe gore dikgang tsa go tshwana le tse, re bone gore re di tlhabolola ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Fa o lebelela metse e e tshwanang le Natale, gore ba ye go bona molemisi, ba ya go dikologa ba ya go feta



kwa Francistown, ba tla ba boa jaana ba ya kwa Shashe Mooke mme ba feta molemisi mo Borolong. Nako e gorogile ya gore re nne le molemisi yo o lebagang le rona mo motseng wa Natale, a akaretsa metse ya Makobo le Jamataka. Kwa Mabesekwa molemisi wa teng ga se wa sennelaruri. O nna a neelwa dikonteraka tsa nakwana. Fa e fela, re a ema re nna mo sebakatsatsing. Nako e tlele ya gore fa re setse re tsena mo dikgannyeng tsa go tlhabolola tsa temothuo, re bone gore dintlha tse re di baakantse. Re tle re itsosolose segolo jang rona ba re tswang kwa dikgaolong tse di kwa ntle, tse di kgakala le ditlamelo tse di botoka.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, dikgang tsa botsogo; ke a leboga. E rile maloba fa ke arabiwa ke Mothusa Tona ka kwa, Tona o ne a seyo ka nako eo, ke itumeletse karabo ya teng ya gore ke tlaa agelwa *clinic* e e botokanyana, e e nang le malao a le 14 kwa Borolong, e nngwe e bo e nna kwa Mathangwane. Ke dikgang tse di botlhokwa thata tse ke batlang gore di diragale. Fa go ntse jalo, ke eletsa go bona *health post* e e kwa Shashe Mooke. Ke motse o o setseng o godile thata *with a population* ya batho ba ba fetang 6 000 ka lebaka la Francistown. O godile mo go feteletseng. Re leke go atolosa *health post* ya bone, e tle e tle e lebege.

Chadibe le one ke motse o o nang le batho ba bantsi thata o o tsamayang kwa go 5 900. Seo ka bo sone fela, se go bolelela gore ke metse e e setseng e godile. *Health posts* tsele re bone gore re di tlhabolola ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re bone gore re oketsa le bodiredi segolobogolo mo motseng e megolwane eo. Kwa Natale le gone go na le seemo se se ntseng jalo sa go oketsa mme segolobogolo fa re ka lebelela metse e metona pele, go ka nna molemo. Re tle re bone gore fa re okeditse dikago le bodiredi, botsogo bo ka nna teng.

E rile fa o ntse o bua Tona mo pegong ya gago, wa supa fa o batla go tlhabolola, e bile go le botlhokwa go tlhabolola dikole tse re ka di bitsang re re ke *Technical and Vocational Training* tsa *brigades* le tse di kgolwane. Maloba fa ke le kwa Mabesekwa ka *Saturday*, bana ba ne ba lela. Ke ne ke bolelela le Tona yo o maleba fa Rre Maele ke mo raya ke re, bana ba ne ba lela ba re o kae o sa goroge kwa *brigade* e e kwa Tonota mme e le kwa ntlheng ya ga *Honourable* Furniture kwa North East. Ba supa fa go le botlhokwa gore re tle re bone diemo mo dikoleng tsa bone ka gore ba dirisa *pit latrines*, ga go na fa ba tsenelang teng

Fa ke tsena mo go tse di nkamang go gaisa, ke mo dikoleng tsa me tse e leng gore bongwanake ba tsewa

kwa go tsone. Ke na le sekole sa kwa Zwenshambe, se bana ba Natale ba tsewang kwa go sone. Ke na le sekole sa John Nswazwi se se kwa Marapong, se bana ba Matsitama ba tsewang kwa go sone. Ke na le sa Dukwi, se bana ba Mabesekwa le Jamataka ba tsewang kwa go sone. Ke bo ke nna le sa Tlhalogang se e leng gore maabane jaana, re ne re le kwa go sone. Seemo se se koo, se utlwisa botlhoko. O ka ipotsa gore bana ba tshela ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ga go na *lockers*. Ba robala fa fatshe fa go ntseng jaaka fa pele ga me fa. Ga go na dijo kwa dikoleng tsa teng mme tse tsotlhe di ama dikole tse ke ntseng ke di balolola tse. Go raya gore ke na le seemo se se botlhoko mo dikoleng tse. Ke kopa ke re jaaka gompiano re tlaabo re aba madi, e bile go supagetse fa *education* e ya go tsaya *the second largest share* ya P11.68 *billion*, re lebelele thata mo dikoleng tse. Re bona gore re di tlhabolola ka tsela e e ntseng jang gore bana ba tle ba rate fa ba leng teng.

Dikole tse ke ntseng ke di balolola tse, ke *boarding schools*. Bana ba tla ba tswa kwa dikgaolong tse dingwe ba latela thuto kwa metseng eo. Fa re ka leka go di tlhabolola, ra tliša malao le dijo. Re baakanya *pit latrines* tse di teng. Fa o le gone fale ga o ka ke wa rata fa ba tsenang teng. Ke kopa gore Tona yo o maleba, a tle a lebelele seemo seo le go oketsa bodiredi le barutabana.

Gompiano jaana *ratio* ya kwa Tlhalogang ka gore ke sone se ke gautshwane thata le sone go gaisa tse dingwe tse, morutabana a le mongwefela o tsaya bana ba le 40. O bo o fitlhela e le gore ke seemo se se rwesang morutabana mokgweleo o o seng kana ka sepe. Fa dilo tsa go nna jaana re ka di tlhabolola, ke tsaya ke re re tlaabo re itiretse bontle thata ka gore ba ba fetileng ba ne ba sena sepe le dikgang tse.

O supile o bua ka tsa dikago tsa ba *security*, mme e rile mo nakong e e fetileng ga supafala fa go tlaa nna le *police stations*, kana tseo ga di re ame ka gore ga ke na *police station* e e neng e tla mo kgaolong ya me. E rile fa di busetswa kwa morago, ke nnile le tshepho ya gore gongwe e kare go sekasekiwa, ka lebelelwa. Kgaolo e ke tswang kwa go yone e gautshwane le toropo, batho ba toropo botlhe ba tla mo dikgaolong tsa bo Shashe Mooke, Borolong, Chadibe le Mathangwane, gammogo le bone bo Makobo, Jamataka, Natale ba tla ba tshaba kgang ya *rentals* kwa toropong. Fa ke ka nna le sengwe se se supang, Chadibe ke motse o mogolwane, ba lela ka letlhoko la koloi e e ka reng *on daily basis* ya nna e ba thusa go tabogela fale, e re fa ba utlwa *report* ka kwa, ba tabogele teng. Ga go na yone koloi e e thusang batho

ba Chadibe. Dilo tsa go nna jalo fa re ka di lebelela, go ka nna botoka.

Mabesekwa go na le seemo, koloi ya bone e nna e swetse ruri. Mo nakong ya gompiano yone koloi e re neng re beile gore e teng, e nna e le mo *service*, mapodise ba Tonota le bone ba tshela ka go e dirisa thata. Jaanong re batla koloi e e tlaabong e le ya rona ya selebego se se rileng kwa Mabesekwa le gone kwa metseng ya bo Chadibe. Segolobogolo fa o ka ntirela gore ke nne le *police station* gongwe e e botoka mo dikgaolong tsone tse, ka gore go tswa mo Francistown go ya go tsena kwa Orapa, fa go nna le *report* golo gongwe mo tseleng, go raya gore re nna le bothata mo metseng e. Jaaka gompiano jaana, go na le *police* e gotweng e a agiwa mo Pusong e e fetileng, e e neng e agiwa kwa motseng wa Marapong, e nngwe kwa Sebina, e nngwe kwa Makaleng. Ke bua ka metse e e leng gore go tswa mo motseng o mongwe go tsena mo go o mongwe *is less than 10 kilometers (km)*, o tswa mo go o mongwe 15 km. Gongwe dilo tse fa di ka sekasekiwa ra bona gore e nngwe re tle re e latlhele fa metseng ya Shashe West fale, ke tsaya ke re go ka nna molemo thata.

Honourable Speaker, jaaka ke ne ke feta ke tlisa malebo mo dilong tse dingwe, go ka nna thona gore ke leboegele kgang ya *tandabala, increment* go tswa kwa go P830 go ya kwa go P1 400. Batho ba ka se ke ba ntebe sentle kwa kgaolong ya me fa ke ka se ke ke bue ka dikgang tseo ka gore di molemo thata. Ba kgaolo ya me ba di ratile thata. Go botoka jaaka ke ntse ke utlwa ba bangwe ba re le ne le riana mo *manifesto* wa lona. Mo *manifesto* wa rona re ne re sena dikgang tseo, e ne e le gore...

MR LESEDI: *Correction. Madam Speaker*, mma ke leboge motlotlegi. Ke gore fa a dirisa Setswana, a se ele tlhoko ka gore gongwe kutlwisiso fa e ka se ke e nne yone kwa gae, o tlaabo a bua lefela fela. Fa a re go ka nna thona fa a ka se ke a leboge, ke gore a se ka a re go ka se ka ga nna thona ka gore fa a re go ka se ka ga nna thona, o raya gore ga a leboge. A a re go ka nna thona.

MR FRENZEL: Ke tsaya ke re ba utlwile kwa gae se ke lehang go se tlhalosa, ke a leboga *for that correction* le fa ke sa e utlwa gore o ne o re o *correct* fa kae sentlesentle.

Tota ke emela fela go leboga gore *increment* e re e boneng ya madi a *tandabala* go ya kwa go P1 400 ke selo se se molemo thata. E rile fa ke tsamaya ke buisa diphuthego kwa dikgaolong tsa me, ke ne ke ba bolelela gore gongwe re tlaa tla re oketsa fa e le gore

go a oketsega, madi a ya kwa bo P900 kana P1 000. Jaanong gore madi a bo a tllile kwa go P1 400 ke selo se ke tshwanelwang ke gore ke bo ke ka se lebogela. Jaaka ke ne ke supa, re ne re ise re bue dikgang tsa gore re tlaa nna le kokeletso ya go tswa fa go ema kae. Ba kgaolo ya me tota ke boitumelo jo bogolo gore ba bo ba bone kokeletso ya madi a a kanakana go ya kwa go P1 400. Ke selo se se ntle se ke tsayang gore lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara le se itumeletse. Jaaka go supile mo *manifesto* wa UDC gore a tlaa oketsega go ntse go tsamaya, e tlaa re fa seemo sa *economy* se tokafala, ba latlhele P100 kana P200 re ntse re ya gone kwa go P1 800 o ba neng ba bua ka ene.

Sengwe sa dilo se ke tshwanelwang ke go di lebogela ke sa boele kwa morago ke madi a maP300. Ga go na fa go neng go supa teng gore a tlaa nna teng, a a tlaabong a neelwa bana, ke tswa kwa dikgaolong tse bontsi jwa tsone di leng kgakalanyana. Go a bo go sena sepe se motho o kare go na le ditiro tse di botoka. Fa Puso e tla e bo e raya banake ba Matsitama e re ke tlaa le neela P300 *for* ngwaga, ke selo se se ntle thata. Ke ne ke ba bolelela le ba Mabesekwa ke re P300 o etla, mme ga go reye gore le rona re tle re dire thatathata. Ga re re *manage* palo ya bone ka lebaka la gore gakere ke go tswa mo kgwedding go ya go tsena mo ngwageng. Ga re le yone re e leboegele le fa re tlaabo re tshwanela ke go baakanya fale le fale.

Kgang ya *special constables*, ke ne ke bua le mongwe wa *special constable* yo o tshwarang thata yo o tswang kwa motseng wa me wa Natale Rre Amos Nyoni, o ne a setse a tlopile 35 years, e le gore o ya go nna *special constable* go fitlhela a thunya tlhogo, mme jaanong Puso ya gompiano e ile ya bona gore e baakanye seemo se go bona gore ba ba sa bolong go bereka ka lebaka le le telele, ba tsene. Kana fa o le *special constable* ga go na se o ka se bonang go ka itlhabolola, jaanong fa ba setse ba tsene e le mapodise a sennelaruri, go a bo go le botoka thata.

Sengwe sa dikgang tse ke di itumeletseng ke *connection* ya *internet* mo dikoleng di ka tshwara 500. Kana mo Pusong e e fetileng re ne re solofeditswe gore e tlaa re fa o neelwa setsha se bo se go na le *internet*, mme ga re ise re ko re di bone. Gompiano re tlisa ditshephiso, tumelo ke gore e tlaa re 2029 a wela, bana ba bo ba setse ba itse gore fa o bua ka maranyane, o bua ka eng. Ke selo se re tshwanetseng go se lebogela mo Pusong e ntsha.

30 per cent reduction wa metsi le motlakase, ke dilo tse re tshwanetseng go di amogela re bo re di itumelela gore



fa di tla, e tlaabo e le tlhabologo mo go ba re ba eteletseng pele. Ke ratile thata le kgang ya *permit* ya phane, batho ba dikgaolo tsa me ba tshela ka dilo tsa go tshwana le tseo. Gore fela *permit* e bo e fokoditswe ka madi a a kalo e bile o ka e bapala *free of charge* o sa batliwe sepe o le gautshwane, ke selo se re tshwanelwang ke go se lebogela. Le yone ya gongwe go tlolela kwa bo South Africa go ya go e rekisa, phokotsego ya teng ga re re e lebogele.

Ke ema jaana *Honourable Speaker* ke tshwanelwa ke gore le nna ke supe gore ke akanya gore go leka go tlhabolola seemo sa itsholelo mo lefatsheng, ke akanya gore go ka dirwa jang. Sengwe sa dilo tse ke akanyang gore gongwe se ka dirwa, e ka nna gongwe go simolola *tollgates* mo lefatsheng la rona. Jaaka ke ne ke supa ka diteraka tse di fetang di ralela lefatsheng la rona di fetela kwa bo Tanzania, DRC, di senya ditsela tsa rona. Ditsela tsa bo Francistown ga di tsamaege gotlhelele, fa o simolola fela o tswa mo Palapye, ke diteraka tse di lalang di tsamaya masigo a otlhe. Go ka nna molemo fa re ka *introduce tollgates* tse di ka tshwarang tse tharo kana tse nne mo lefatsheng la rona, re ya go dira madi a mantsi thata ka diteraka tse di ralalang jaaka di sa tlhole di tsaya tsela ele ya Beit Bridge e e fetang kwa Zimbabwe. Ditsela tsa teng ga di tsamaege gotlhelele *as compared to* ditsela tsa rona ka kwano.

Sengwe sa dilo tse re ka di lebelelang thatathata, ke kgang ya go tlisa mananeo a a botoka a a ka tsholetsang banana. Kana re thata ka banana mme fa re ka dira mananeo a e kareng le bone ba tsena mo go one ba leka go itlhabolola.

Sengwe sa dikgang tse ke batlang gore gongwe Tona a di lebelele le fa e le kgakololo, e rile fa re santse re le kwa dikhanseleng, kana batlotlegi fa ba tswa kwa dikhanseleng. Dingwe tsa dikgang tse re neng re di buelela go pala e ne e le *to scrap ward allowances* ka dinako tseo. Jaanong gompieno re bua ka *constituency allowances*, tse e leng gore nna yo ke leng gone fa, *every Friday* ke leba kwa kgaolong. *Sunday or Monday* ke itse gore ke boela kwano ka lebaka la gore ke na le kgaolo e ke e tshwereng. Jaanong *what of* motho yo e leng gore ga a tshwara kgaolo mme a na le letseno le e leng gore o a le tsaya? O ya go fitlhela e le gore ke selo se re tshwanelwang ke gore re se lebelele, e bile re bo re se fetisa ka bonako. Bangwe ba rona o ya go fitlhela gongwe o tsaya *pension, tandabala*, o bo o tsaya le one madi a. Fa o re o a lebelele o ya go fitlhela e le gore *this is too much*. Re tshwanelwa ke gore re di lebelele.

E rile fa ke dira *calculations* tsa me tsa nthaya tsa re fa o lebelele Makhanselara a le 153 *plus six Honourable Members of Parliament (MPs)* madi a teng ke P1 000 157.23.

MR HIKUAMA: *Clarification.* *Pension* e ga o a e tlhatswa, o raya ba tsaya *pension* ya mofuta ofe?

MR FRENZEL: Akere o a utlwa motlotlegi. Ke raya madi a o a bong o a bereketse fa o santse o bereka. Ke *pension* e ke buang ka yone eo. Ke tsaya ke re o e utlwile.

Ke supile gore *allowances* tse tsotlhe fa o di tsaya o di kopanya di ka go neela madi a a kae. Madi ao a ka leka gore gongwe a re thuse go tlhabolola fale le fale.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Inaudible) ...

MR FRENZEL: Ga o tshware se ke lelang go se bua *Honourable Member*? Ka re a bo o tsaya *pension, tandabala* le madi a *constituency allowance*.

Sengwe sa dikgang tse re tshwanelwang ke gore re bo re ka di lebelele, ga ke itse mme e rile fa ke di lebelele ka fitlhela e le gore mo dikgaolong tsa me di ka mperekela botoka. Go bulela *vegetables*, segolobogolo tse di tshwanang le bo ditapole jaaka Puso e dirile jaana, ke tseela ke re ke selo se re tshwanelwang ke gore re se dire. Fa re sa kgoneng teng re na le ba ba kgonang. Le rona re tlaa re kwa bofelong re kgone ditapole tsa rona re tlhoke go di reka ka ma P200.00 jaaka mo nakong ya gompieno. Jaanong fa Batswana ba setse ba kgona go ka itemela re a tswala. Fa go tswalwa jalo, go bo go rekiwa mo go ba re tshelang le bone *on the locals* ke selo se se molemo. Fa go setse go pala, *we open the borders* gore re reke gone kwa. Ke selo se gongwe re ka re ntse re lebeletse ra bona gore re ka di baakanya ka tsela e e ntseng jang go leka gongwe go tsosolosa. Fa o re o lebelele dikgang tsa bo ditapole, batho ba le bantsi ba tshela ka go di dirisa. Fa o re o a lebelele mo dimausung le mo dishopong, o ya go fitlhela e le gore re dirisa ditapole nako le nako Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

Ya bofelo e ke neng ke batla gore gongwe ke fetse ka yone ke kgang e ke e boneng e gotweng ditlhopho tsa Village Development Committees (VDCs) di tlosolotswe. Puso e e busang, kana re fa go nna re buisana, a re e lebalabeng sentle. Re se ka ra fitlhela e le gore re gateletse ba ba neng ba ka tsena, ba ka fiwa tshono. Jaaka ke ne ke ntse ke supa, ke tswa kwa dikgaolong tse batho ba teng ba ka tswa gongwe ba sa ya sekoleng

go ya go wela kwa go *Form 5* mme ba le botlhale. Ba paledisitswe go ya go dira *Form 5* ke mabaka a mantsi a botshelo. Gongwe botsadi jwa bone ba bo ba ne ba sa kgone go isa bana kwa dikoleng go ya go goroga koo. O ya go fitlhela e le gore ba gongwe ba dirileng bo *Form 5* e le fale le fale. Jaanong a re e lebeleleleng re se ka ra iphitlhela e le gore gongwe re itlhabile ka thipa fa re ka bong re ne re sa itlhaba teng. Ke tsaya ke re mafoko a a neng a tsamaya mo *social media* a gore VDC go tlaa tlhophiwa ma *Form 5* fela, tseo gongwe re name re di boetse kwa thoko, segolobogolo mo dikgaolong tse e leng gore ke tse ke nnang teng.

MADAM SPEAKER: E go tshwere *Honourable Frenzel*.

MR FRENZEL: Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker*.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION (MR HUNYEPA): *Madam Speaker*, ke tseye nako e ke go dumedise mo tirong e ya kabo ya madi a Setšhaba. Ke dumedisa le batlhophi ka kwa Tati West, Matona a Puso, Mapalamente le Makhanselara ba ba tswelletseng ba thusa go tsamaisa Puso e ya UDC. *Madam Speaker...*

MADAM SPEAKER: Order! Honourable Members.

MR HUNYEPA: *Madam Speaker*, ke tsaya nako e gape ke leboge Matona a Puso le Mapalamente ba ba setseng ba etetse kgaolo ya rona ya Tati West mo nakong e khutshwane. Ke setse ke na le Matona a a ka tshwarang *eight* ba ba setseng ba tlike kwa kgaolong ya rona ya Tati West. Matona ao ke tseela gore re tlaabo re le mmogo ba re thusa, re ntse re tswelsetse ka ditiro tsa rona tsa go tlhabolola Tati West. *Madam Speaker*, Tona wa rona wa *State Presidency* Rre Mohwasa o ne a kgabotse, Rre Ramogapi Tona wa Metsi, Tona wa Banana Lesego Chombo, Tona wa tsa Dikgwebo *Honourable Ntsima, Local Government; Honourable Ignatius Moswaane, Tona wa Transport and Infrastructure; Mothusa Tona Keoagile Atamelang, Tona wa Sports and Culture Honourable Jacob Kelebeng le Mothusa Tona wa State Presidency; Honourable Maipelo Mophuting*. Jaaka ke tlhalosa, ba ne ba goroga ka gore le nna ke ne ke bua le bone gore ba tle go bona gore go ntse jang kwa kgaolong eo ya rona.

Madam Speaker, Puso e ntšha e e kgonne go diragatsa maitlamo a mantsi a UDC *manifesto* mo malatsing a le lekgolo morago ga ditlhopho. Sengwe se se dirang gore go nne dingalonyana go diragatsa maitlamo mo malatsing a a lekgolo ke tse di latelang;

- UDC e fitlhetse go na le dikoloto fela thata tsa madi a a tlaelang a *budget*, mme re tlaa baakanya. Le fa re fitlhetse go na le dikoloto tse di kalo, ga go ka ke ga re emisa gore re tsweltele re thuse setšhaba sa Botswana. *Madam Speaker*, re fitlhela boswa jwa dikoloto tse di tshosang tse re di tlogeletsweng ke Puso ya pele ya Domkrag.
- *Madam Speaker*, re santse re le mo Transitional National Development Plan (TNDP) ya Puso e e tswang maabane. Re fitlhela boswa jwa dikoloto, *projects* tse di simolotsweng, *loans* tse di fokotsang mananeo a rona a UDC. Jalo hee, re santse re bereka gone foo.
- *Madam Speaker*, re fitlhela tshenyetso-setšhaba, tsamaiso e e sokameng le go dutlisa madi a setšhaba mo go setseng go builwe ke Tona ya Madi. Puso e ntšha e e fitlhela mathata ao. *Madam Speaker*, Kabo ya madi a Setšhaba ga e dirwe fela go tabogilwe. Go tlhokega ditshekatsheko tse di tseeneletseng le go kopana le batsayaseabe ba bantsi. Morwa Ndaba ke tiro e a e dirileng ka matsetseleko fela thata, mo dikgweding tse pedi re setse re na le a *Budget Speech*.

Madam Speaker, kabo ya madi a Setšhaba ga se mme mphe bogolo, kgotsa tiro ya solanka ka gore fa e sa dirwe sentle e ka phutlhamisa itsholelo. Rre Ndaba tiro e o e dira ka botswerere fela thata.

Re nnile le mathata a mangwe a re lebaganeng le one gompiano jaana; dibetso tsa tlhologo le sepolotiki sa kgaolo. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse di re amileng thata.

Le a itse fela bagaetsho, gore merwalela e e raya gore dingwe tse di builweng ke Tona ya Madi di tsile go amega fela thata. Re ne re sa solofela tshenyo e kanakana ya ditsela le dintsho. A mewa ya ba ba latlhegetsweng ke matshelo e robale ka kagiso, a masika a sidilege. *Madam Speaker*, merwalela e setse e fetotse dintlhakgolo tsa kabo ya madi a setšhaba le maikemisetsa a Puso ka gore tshenyo e e nnile ntsi thata.

Go na le dintwa *Madam Speaker*, re isitse masole kwa bo DRC, ntwa eo e maswe eo. *So*, re a itse gore go na le madi a a tshwanetseng gore a thuse masole ao kwa ba tshwanetseng go fiwa ditsompelo tse di rileng, gape ba tlhokomelwa fela thata.

Madam Speaker, re eme ka dinao gore re baakanye seemo. Mo Pusong e e nang le boikarabelo jaaka ya UDC, e lebelela ditharabololo tsa sennelaruri le tse



di botlhokwa pele ga e tabogela go tsaya ditshwetso. Malatsi a a lekgolo, a diretswe go kanoka Puso le ditsompelo tse re nang le tsone. So, re dirile jalo, re ntse re lebelela gore ke eng se re ka se dirisang mo ditsompelong tse re nang le tsone.

Diphetogo tsa konokono di tlhoka nako, thulaganyo e e tlhamaletseng, go gokaganya ka matsetseleko, boitshwaro jo bo kwa godimo le go wela sebetse. Re mo tseleng e e tlhamaletseng, *we are on track Madam Speaker*. Ga gona lefatshe lepe fela le le kileng la kgona go diragatsa ditsholofetso tsa lone mo malatsing a le lekgolo, ga le yo. Re dirile mo go tlang ka seatla Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. *Madam Speaker*, go na le ditsholofetso tse re di dirileng tse e leng gore di botlhokwa fela thata le ditiro tse e leng gore re kgonne go di diragatsa di tswa mo maitlamong a rona. Jaaka ba bangwe ba ne ba re ga gona sepe, ke tlaa di balolola. Ke tsaya gore di ka tshwara 10, e bile gongwe di ka ya kwa go 11;

(1) *Tandabala*; P1, 400, ke eo re e dirile, batsadi ba itumetse kwa malwapeng.

(2) *Free sanitary pads*; seriti sa bana ba rona se setse se boetse mo mannong. Ke nngwe ya dilo tse re neng re buile ka tsone.

(3) *Feeding mothers' allowance and benefits*; P300 o mo teng. Ke sengwe se re kgonneng go se dira.

(4) *Ministry wa Health* o setse o hirile babereki ba ba fetang 300 mo malatsing a le lekgolo. Dingaka, baoki, *pharmacy technicians and so on*, ke nngwe ya dilo tse di kgonneng go dirwa.

(5) Go tlotla ditshwanelo tsa batho go ile kwa godimo. Re bone Rre Pitseng Gaorekwe a robatswa kwa legaeng la gagwe mo Central Kalahari Game Reserve (CKGR) morago ga dingwaga tse tharo Puso ya Domkrag e gana.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR HUNYEPA: Re bone go tsaya letsatsi fela le lengwefela, Tautona *Advocate Duma Boko* a tsaya tshwetso ya go boloka Rre Pitseng kwa a tsholetseng teng.

(6) The Student Representative Council (SRC) *and trade unions* tse di leng gone mo dikoleng, *especially technical colleges le the brigades*; nna le Tona Maele re feletse re bona gore bana bao le babereki ba tshwanetse gore ba nne le *even on management teams*, e le nngwe ya ditshwanelo tsa bana ba dikole le babereki jaaka re buile

gore we are a human rights Government. The SRCs in all the brigades, ke kgang e re buileng le botsamaisi jwa dikole tseo. Babereki le bone *sit in management teams* gore ba tle ba kgone go bua ka ditshwanelo tsa bone le *the way* ba tshelang ka teng mo dikoleng tseo. E ne e se gore dikole tsotlhe di dira jalo. So, ke nngwe ya dilo tse re kgonneng go di dira.

(7) Nngwe ya kgang e tona e re e dirileng le yone e le ka e lebelelang, ke *inclusive Government*. Re le UDC, re rerisanya le *political parties le trade unions*. Ke tsaya gore le *All Party Conference* e a bereka. Re setse re kgona go nna fa fatshe go buisanya le Office of the President (OP), go tswetse. *Trade unions* le tsone *they sat down*. Ke tsaya gore le *Bargaining Council* e a tsoga, Ke nngwe ya dilo tse di supang gore *we an inclusive Government and there have been appointments which have done*.

I think other political parties are even in this Government, ke tsaya gore le BCP e etla le yone *very soon, some will be appointed into the Government and we will work together, especially that we share the same ideology*.

(8) *Another pillar* e e leng gore re e kgonne jaaka ke tlhalositse, *All Party Conference* e tsositswe ke OP. Ba tswetse ba a buisanya gone koo.

(9) *The Bargaining Council* e e digilweng ke Puso ya Domkrag, e tsositswe ke OP. Makgotla a babereki ba setse ba kopane, ba a buisanya *to set up the Bargaining Council*.

(10) *Madam Speaker, Special Constables*, ba e leng gore e ne e le letshwenyego la rona rotlhe, re bona e le gore jaanong ba ya go hirwa *permanently*, ba nna *permanent and pensionable. It is another pillar that we have achieved*.

(11) E e leng gore *we have achieved it as well*, re bone kgantele, motshegare one o, tumalano ya thekiso ya diteemane ya De Beers le Puso ya Botswana e tswa go saeniwa.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR HUNYEPA: Ke dingwe tse re di kgonneng *Madam Speaker*. Go na le dikgang tse dingwe tse e leng gore ke batla go feta ka tsone.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Inaudible)...

MR HUNYEPA: E teng mo *manifesto*. *Madam Speaker*,

ke tlaa e bala fela le fa a ne a supywa, ke tle ke fete ka yone ya diteemane. “*Position Botswana as one of the top diamond trading centres globally and top three in the region.*” Ke ya diteemane, so ke eo mokaulengwe ka gore o ne o tseela gore re bua fela. Ga re bue fela, re bua dilo tse di mo maitlamong a rona.

Madam Speaker, go na le dintlha tse dingwe tse ke neng ke batla go feta ka tsone. Kgang e nngwe ke ya thuto. Thuto ya rona ra re ke STEAM. *Madam Speaker*, re dumela thata mo thutong e e nang le boleng ya STEAM e. Ngwana o tshwanetse go ithuta se a se kgonang. *No child is dull*, rona mo UDC re dumela jalo. Ga re batle go tla re dira gone mo gotweng go dirwa *aggregates* gotwe go a lebelelwa gotwe ngwana o na le *points* tse kae. Re batla gore ngwana go tswa kwa *foundation* a ithute se a se kgonang, a dire se a se kgonang, barutabana ba mo *profile*, a tsamaye fela jalo. Ngwana o tshwanetse go ithuta se a se kgonang. *No child is dull, it is our curriculum that has been dull and we are going to change it.*

Thuto e botlhokwa fela bagaetsho. Ka thuto e e nang le boleng, masula a mantsi a ka fenngwa jaaka letlhoko la ditiro. Ditagi, botagwa le bogodu di ka lwantshiwa ka gore mongwe le mongwe o tlaa nna le tiro a iperekela *like we are talking of the brigades and the technical institutions* tse e leng gore di tlile go dira gore ngwana mongwe le mongwe a kgone go itirela tiro kana a kgone go hiriwa. Thuto ka boyone e kgona go dira gore le malwetse a mantsinti a ye kwa tlase ka gore batho ba ka tlaabo ba tshela sentle, ba a ja sentle gape ba itse ba tlhaloganya se se ka bakang malwetse le go tla malwetse a a ntseng jalo. Re dumela thata mo thutong ya diatla jaaka re buile, *education with production.*

Madam Speaker, re dumela thata gore *brigades and technical vocational colleges* di tsenngwe didirisiwa tsa di maleba tse di tsamaelanang le se dikgwebo di se dirang. Re tsile go kopa madi mo Palamenteng a gore thuto ya ditiro tsa diatla e nne yone sentle.

Nna le Prince Maele re setse re tsamaile mo dikoleng mo tsa *brigades*, re itse mathata a tsone. Mo malatsing a le 100, re setse re itse gore *brigades* ka bontsi... *We have covered over 80 per cent ya brigades.* So, re itse mathata a a mo dikoleng tse, re setse re na le gore re tlile go tla re rarabolola mathata ao jang. Ke sengwe se e leng gore ke ne ke santse ke bua gore re kgonne go se dira e bile.

Re bone bagaetsho, gongwe re tlaa nna re bua ka *education with production.* Zwenshambe Brigade le

yone ke nngwe e e leng gore e mo kgaolong yame. Ke *brigade* jo e leng gore bo ka dira thata, bo ka thusa. E rile *brigades* di tuma mo Botswana bogologolo *in the 1970's and 1980's*, re bone Puso ya BDP re e koafatsa, e diga boleng jwa tsone. Dibuka tsa dithuto tsa ga Patrick Van Rensburg, motlhami wa *brigades* mo Botswana, ke fa di sa batliwe mo Botswana mme Rhodesia ya di rwala ka terena ka Rhodesia Railways.

Madam Speaker, ke tseela gore o a tlhaloganya jaanong gore ke eng baagisanyi ba rona ba kgona ditiro tsa diatla ka bokete jo bo kanakana. Puso ya Domkrag ga e ise e rate Batswana ke se o bonang le ditswammung tsotlhe tsa rona di rwalelwa kwa mafatsheng a sele ka bokete jo bo kana.

Re le UDC ra re re batla go bona ditswammung tsotlhe tse di fethiwang di bo di dirwa gone mo Botswana.

Madam Speaker, ke dumela thata gore le lona le a itse gore thuto ya rona gore e tlhaboroge fela sentle, barutabana ba tlhoka go tlhokomelwa fela thata. *A demotivated and demoralised teacher holding a poorly developed curriculum is the most dangerous.* Barutabana ba rona ga ba a itumela bagaetsho. Re bone go na le Revised National Policy on Education e e tserweng e beetswe ka fa. *They have introduced* e nngwe gape gatwe Education and Training Sector Strategic Plan (ETSSP) le yone *it has expired*, e ne e le ya 2015 to 2020. Go tlisitswe *an Output Based Education (OBE)* le yone ga re itse gore modi wa teng o fa kae. Ke dilo tse o bonang re di bua fa, gore bagaetsho, a re thusaneng re tle re baakanye thuto ya rona. Barutabana ba santse ba na le mathata fela a mantsi. *They are not promoted* gotlhelele. Ba bangwe ba na le bo 20 years motho a le mo *scale* se sengwefela. Ba bangwe *even* bo 30 years. Ba bangwe ba ke neng ke ruta le bone ga ba ise ba ko ba tlhatlosiwe maemo, *he was promoted once*, o santse a le mo *scale* se sengwefela. Ga ba isiwe dikoleng. Ba santse ba *share* boroko le ba bangwe e bile ba na le *families*. O fitlhela *a two roomed house, families* tse pedi di le mo teng *sharing*. O fitlhela morutabana a batla *transfer* go ganwa. Fa gongwe e bile a batla *to swap* tota. O fitlhela *teacher* a nnile golo go le gongwefela, *spouse* sa gagwe se le kwa Maun ene a le mo Gaborone.

MR MOTSAMAI: *Elucidation.* Ke a leboga gape *Madam Speaker*. Kana fa e re motho a bua dikgang tse e bo e le tse di go tlhabang kwa kgaolong le wena, ga re o mo kope bogolo o latlhele tlhware legonnyana, o pake tota jaaka ke na le diemo tse tsa barutabana ba ba sa bolong go nna lebaka ba se tlhatlosiwe maemo. Ke na le



barutabana ba ba kgaogantsweng le ba malwapa e leng banna ba bone ba le mo *settlements*, go tsaya lebaka le le kanakana, a bo ke kope gore ba ba okametseng thuto, dilo tse ba di sekaseke ka bonako jo bo rileng, barutabana ba gologo kwa New Xanagas le dikgaolo tse dingwe jalojalo. Ke a leboga.

MR HUNYEPA: Ke lebogela mafoko a gago *Honourable* Motsamai. Ke raya gore bagaetsho, barutabana ba mo seemong se se ntseng jalo, ga ba tshele sentle. E le rona re ntse re le Batswana jaana, re tsere bana ba rona re ba beile mo barutabaneng, barutabana mme ba sotlega. Barutabana ba bantsi gone fa fela thata. Re tshwanetse gore kgang e e re tlhabe re le gone fa, le fa o se a morutabana, ngwana wa gago o rutilwe ke morutabana le wena o rutilwe ke morutabana. A re boneng gore diemo tsa barutabana di a fetoga. Re a itse gore e bile ba bangwe ba ne ba se tlatlosiwe maemo ka gore ba mo *trade unions*. Ba bangwe fa ba tshwanetse gore ba tlhatlosiwe maemo, go a lebelelwa gore o tswa mo phathing efe, fa go fitlhelwa e le gore ga o tswa mo phathing e e mo Pusong ga o tlhatlosiwe maemo, le *transfer* o kgona *to be transferred* fa go ka fitlhelwa e le gore o mo phathing e e seng yone. Ke bua jaana ke le motswasetlhabelo sa dikgang tse di ntseng jalo. Ke tlhatlositse maemo gangwefela mo dingwageng tse 25 ke ntse ke ruta. Ke ntsha maduo, bana ba pasa gongwe le gongwe fa ke tshwarang teng, ke *sports* kana ke mo *classroom*, mme ke sa tlhatlosiwe maemo ka gore ke ne le mongwe wa *trade unions* tse di neng di sa ratiwe mo lefatsheng le.

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Lekau, switch off your microphone. Justin Hunyepa you were not yielding *akere?* His microphone was already on, so *ke ne ke batla go itse gore* are you yielding now?

MR LEKAU: *Elucidation.* Ke a leboga. Ke ne ke re ka re ga o bone gore *it is a blessing* gore a bo go saennwe gompiano tumalano ya De Beers ka gore le kwa *technical colleges* le *brigades* le Programme ya *Apprenticeship* o raya gore le yone ka ba Domkrag ba ne ba e phuagantse, e boele gore re ntshe bana ba ba nang le boleng.

MR HUNYEPA: Go ntse jalo *Honourable* Lekau, o e garetse sentle mokaulengwe. *Madam Speaker*, ke tle ke taboge ke tsholetse dinao ka gore nako ke e, ke bona gore e tlaa lala e mpolaila.

Madam Speaker, ke tle ke tsene ka tsa Kgaolo ya Tati West Constituency. Jaaka bakaulengwe ba rona ba setse

ba tlhalositse, dikole tsa rona di makgasa. Marutelo a dikole tse dingwe gongwe nka bo di tswetswe le go tswalwa. Kwa Ramoja Junior School, kwa Moroka, ke sekole se se tsayang bana ba ba tswang kwa Moroka le Jackalas 1. Kwa Pelaelo, kwa Makaleng ba tlhoka *hostels*. Kwa sekoleng sa Batanani, kwa Mapoka *hostels* tsa teng le *classrooms* go kgautlhane ga se tota mo e leng gore le bana ba ka bo ba nna mo teng. Tota dikole tsa rona ke mathata bagaetsho, ke a le kopa Mapalamente gore re tle re lebeleleng gore madi a *infrastructure, maintenance* le *development* re a isa kwa dikoleng. Dikole ka bontsi ga di na *administration blocks*. *More than 10 primary schools* mo kgaolong. Barutabana ba tshwarela *meetings* mo *classroom* e e nnyennyane go sena *administration block*. E bile tse dingwe dikole di santse di dirisa *pit latrines*.

Mo go tsa botsogo e sale ngwaga o o fetileng Dr Modise, ke tsaya gore ke kgang e re e buileng gape ke a dumela gore o a e rarabolola. Ga go na dingaka mo *Cluster* ya Makaleng le Kalakamati e sale *last year*. Re santse re na le *challenges* gape tsa *midwives*. Mo dikgaolong tse dintsi mo Tati West, *health posts* di tlhoka *to be upgraded*, di di nnyennyane fela thata Zwenshambe e le nngwe ya tsone. Kwa bo Mosojane, Jackalas 1, Gulubane ke *health posts* tsa bogologolo tse le nna e rile ke santse ke le mo *primary*, re ne re di dirisa, santse e le *the same structure*, ga go na sephiri, ga go na fa go tlhatlhelwang teng. Tota o fitlele e le gore go tlhakatlhakane *Madam Speaker*.

Kgang e nngwe e ke ka fetang ka yone *Madam Speaker*, re tla re tshoga gore fa go ka wa leroborobo fela re ka dirang jang mo Botswana, o fitlhela e le gore gongwe ga re *ready* sentle. *The pandemic*, batho ba ka fela. A re boneng gore re le Palamente jaana, re dire gore diemo tsa rona mo *clinics* le mo dipateleng ke tse di siameng gore fa go ka tlhagoga leroborobo re ka kgona go itepatepanya le lone.

Ke tshwere diphuthago mo kgaolong *Madam Speaker*. Ke kopane le Dikgosi tsa metse e le 27 mo Tati West. Ke kopane le badulasetilo ba VDCs ba ba 27 gore e tle e re ke tshwara diphuthago tsa Kgotla, ke bo ke setse ke kopane le *these strategic partners* kwa kgaolong. Ke tshwere diphuthago le bone, ke kopane le ba Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) go tlhaloganya gore motlakase ke eng o nna o kgaoga mo Tati West mo metseng eo. *So*, ke na le dikarabo tsa teng tse e tlaa reng ke tshwere diphuthago ke kgone go araba. Dikgang tsa metsi le gore ke eng metsi a nna a tla a sa bonale, a

sa nne teng kwa bo Moroka, Nlakhwane, *wards* tsa bo Mathombo, *only to find* gore gatwe *pressure*, ditanka tse dingwe di kwa tlase, mo gongwe metsi a a bo seyo ka gore *pipes* ke tsa bogologolo, ke mealo ya bogologolo tse di setseng di bodile. Ke kopane le boeteledipele jwa Water Utilities. Ke kopane le ba *land board*, ka ba botsa ka kgang ya lefatshe, ba tlhalositse.

Ke kopane le boeteledipele jwa *land board* le baeteledipele ba Khansele ka utlwa mathata a kgaolo ka bophara. Ke tsamaile sepatela sa Masunga Hospital, *I toured it*, le sone ka utlwa mathata a bone a *ambulances* le melemo, ke dikgang tse ke santseng ke ya go tshwara diphuthego tsa Dikgotla jaanong ke bolelela botsadi gore go ntse jang ka koo. Ke kopane le boeteledipele jwa mapodise a Masunga Police Station, le bone diofisi tsa bone di dinnye. *Minister of Finance* ke tlile go kopa madi gore re nne le diofisi tse di bonalang tsa mapodise. *Office* ya rona ya *wildlife* le yone ke tshwere phuthego le botsamaisi jwa teng, le bone jaaka re bua jaana diphologolo di tlhasetse. *Minister wa Tourism*, Wynter Mmolotsi, diphologolo tsa gago rra di tlhasetse kwa masimong, e bile ka maswabi mmereki yo mongwe wa *wildlife* le moagi wa kwa Kalakamati ba tlhasetswe ke nare gone koo, o santse a robaditswe mo sepateleng. So re tshwengwa ke diphologolo tseo, ditlou di senyetsa batho mo masimong, kwa go bo Mbalambi kwa, bo Moroka le Kalakamati.

Madam Speaker, re na le dikgang tse dintsi gape, kgang e nngwe e ke batlang go feta ka yone ke ya ditsela, ga go tsamaeage jaaka re bua jaana. Re na le *caterpillar* e *one* e gotweng ke yone e le kang go baakanya ditsela dipula di nele jaana. Ke mathata, *caterpillar* eo e bereka metse e le 43 ya North East, *so* o kgona go bona gore go ntse jang. Jaaka re bua jaana o ka se ke o kgone go tsamaya. Tsela ya Hubona-Gulubane to Letsholathebe e nngwe e e leng gore Rre Kenneth Nkhwa, mowa wa gagwe a o robale sentle, o ka itumela thata ka gore sale a buile ka tsela eo, re a e tlhoka. Tsela ya Moroka o e feta kwa Ramoje, e wela mo A1, le yone e tlhoka sekonotere. Re na le tsela ya kwa Masukwane-Nlakhwane le yone e tlhoka go tsenngwa sekonotere, ke *gravel* fela. Tsela ya Mbalambi-Goshwe le yone e tlhoka sekonotere, eo e bile ke dirisana le Rre Moalosi ka gore, *it connects* le *constituency* ya ga Rre Moalosi. Kalakamati-Nswazwi le yone ke tsela e e tlhokang go tsenngwa sekonotere, *it connects* le moagisanyi wa me Rre Moalosi ka kwa Nkange. Re na le tsela ya Kalakamati-Sekakangwe-Mbalambi-Gungwe-Zwenshambe, ke tsela e e bothokwa fela thata, ka gore le batho ba ba yang

Zimbabwe ba tswa kwa bo Kasane le Maun ba a e dirisa, ba e tla ba khona ba wela fa Sebina, ba bo ba tla ba wela kwa Makaleng, ba bo ba ya go khona kwa tseleng eo. Jaaka re bua jaana tsela eo ya Mbalambi ga e tsamaeage gotlhelele, e sentswe ke metsi. Re na le tsela e nngwe e e tswang mo Vukwi, Vukwi-Gambule road, ke tsela e e bothokwa fela thata *Madam Speaker*, mme golo kwa go kgauthane fa o ka tshwantshanya le dikgaolo tse di ka kwano south, o ka bona gore kwa re santse re le...o kare go lowa dintwa tse di seng kanaka sepe. Re na le other roads tse di bothokwa tse e leng gore fa ba ka tsenya tsela ya Hubona-Gulubane-Letsholathebe sekonotere go ka felela go nna motlhofo ka gore batho ba bangwe ba ba sokolang thata ke tsela ya the link road ya Sechele-Makaleng, go maswe bagaetsho koo, ga go tsamaeage jaaka re bua dipula di nele jaana. Tsela ya Mambo-Makaleng ga e tsamaeage gotlhelele, Masingwaneng-Makaleng, go maswe mo le balwetse ba felelang jaanong go nna thata go sa itsiwe gore ba ka isiwa kae ka ditsela ga di tsamaeage. Tsela ya Gulubane-Makaleng le yone ke e tlhokwang go tsenngwa sekonotere. Ke ditsela tse di tswa bogologolong di sa tsenngwa sekonotere. Ke setse ke buile le *Minister wa Transport and Infrastructure* gore go ye go simololwa gone kwa, tota ke kgaolo e ke ka dumalanang le ba Okavango gore le ka kwa Tati West ka kwa ke rona ba re tlhokang ditsela tseo tse di kalokalo.

Madam Speaker, ke re re na le dikgang tse dintsi, kwa Masunga ga re na *fire station*. Sekole sa Masunga Senior se kile sa sha ngwaga o o fetileng bana ba sekole ba nna *stars* gone foo, ba nna *heroes*, e le bone ba timang melelo e e *on flats*. Go kopiwa dikoloi tse di timang molelo go tswa kwa Francistown, kwa Nkange, ka kwa Tutume. Molelo o re senyeditse fela thata ka go tlhoka *fire station*. Re tlhoka *fire station very urgently* kwa Masunga.

Re tlhoka *satellite police stations* mo metseng e le mentsi, thatathata e e kwa melerwaneng ka kwa, kwa bo Jackalas1 le Moroka ka gore ke mo laeneng ya melerwane. *We need such satellite police stations* go thusa go lwantsha borukutlhi gone mo dikgaolong tseo. Metse e e tshwanang bo Jackalas 1, Ramokgwebana, Zwenshambe, Moroka, Mosojane, Mulambakwena le Mbalambi, ke kwa re tlhokang *satellite police stations*. Jaanong jaaka ke ne ke tlhalosa, mapodise gone ka kwa dikoloi tsa bone *are not enough*.

Motse wa Masunga o godile bagaetsho, go na le *only one primary school*. So bana ba motse wa Masunga



jaanong ba setse ba tsena kwa bo Mulambakwena le Vukwi. Re tlhoka *another primary school* mo kgaolong ya Masunga, *there should be a new primary school*.

Barutabana, mapodise le bo *nurse* le babereki ba bangwe ba Kgotla ga ba na boroko, matlo a bone a a tlhabela. Tota ke sone se o bonang re tsere tshwetso ya gore le *brigades* di tle di thuse. Re kopa gore madi a a tswang a *infrastructure* le one a tle a re thuse.

Mme gape re tshwere diphuthego bagaetsho le makgotla a mangwe. Kwa Ramokgwebana Border ke ile ka kopana le babereki ba ka kwa, ba dira tiro fela e e masisi fela thata babereki ba ka kwa. Ke bone ba ba tlhokomelang gore malwetse ga a tsene, lekgetho le a duelwa, ba tshwere tiro fela sentle.

Ke kopane le *trade unions*, ditshwanelo tsa babereki di bothokwa. Mo Tati West *unions* tsoitlhe tse ke neng ke kopane le tsone re beile le nako gore re tlaa nna re kopana dinako tse tsoitlhe gore re rulaganye, ka babereki ba na le ditshwanelo gape ba na le boikarabelo. *So* re kopanetse dilo tse di ntseng jalo gore re bereke mmogo *Madam Speaker*.

Ke re re kopane le kwa *Labour Department*, re ile ra ya teng ra ya go bona mathata a bone. Ke re mme ka dikgang tse di ntseng jalo, *I support the proposal ya the Appropriation Bill 2025*. Ke a leboga.

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE (MR SALAKAE): Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke ne ke re le nna ke go ikokobeletse, ke go kope o ntle le nna ke tshwane le ba bangwe, ke tshwaele mo puong e ya ga Tona wa Madi, e bile gape e le Mothusa Tautona. Ke mo kgwe dikgaba, fa e le gore go na le Setswana sa go kgwa dikgaba, mo puong ya ga mmaagwe Noah go teng, “go kgwa motho dikgaba.” Puo e o ne a e ala ka botswerere le bonokopila ka kgwedi ya Tlhakole e le lesome. Ke eletsa gore ke e buise gompieno mo metsotsong e e 20.

Gongwe ke simolole ka go leboga Modimo, ke mo lebogele fela thata botshelo ka letlotlo le lesedi le le supagalang gore le phatsimela lefatshe le, lesedi le le sa bolong go simolola go phatsimela lefatshe le ka di 31st *October*. Fa nne Modimo o tsaya tshwetso, ka gore ka nako eo batho ba le elang dipolotiki tlhoko le ne le ya go lemoga gore phathi ya Domkrag fa e ne e ka tswela ya tsaya Puso lefatshe le le ne le ya go kgautlhana. Jaanong go ne go le bothokwa gore Modimo lesedi la gagwe le phatsimele Batswana ba tseye tshwetso e e leng yone. E re ke sena go leboga Modimo jalo ke leboge fela thata

batho ba Gantsi, go bo ba kgonne...kana nako le nako fa ke kopana le bone ba supa gore tota ba leboga thata go bo ke le moemedi wa bone. E bile ke tswela fela thata ke kope Modimo gore o tswela ka go ba sireletsa. Kana e ne e rile maloba fa pula e tlhoma ditlhoko, yone e e neng e tletse ditshenyo tse di anameng le lefatshe le, ya simolola pele kwa Gantsi. Gompieno jaaka ke bua jaana seemo se ritibetse, Molaodi, Modulasetilo wa Khansele le Makhanselara ba eme ka dinao, bomadimabe fela ba nthaya ba re...ke ntse ke tswela ke bua le bone, ba re, go na le noka nngwe kwa Kuke e e lebegang e le ya diphera, ga ba itse gore metsi a yone a tswa kae, a ya kae. Mo e bileng re setse re kopile ba masole gore a ga ba ka ke ba re thusa ka *helicopters* gore re tsamaye kwa godimo kwa re bone gore ntseane noka e gatwe e tswa kae, e ya kae, ka gore e a itlhaganela go tsena mo motseng wa Kuke. Ga re itse gore jaanong e a bo e le gore maikaelelo ke eng. Ke dumela fela thata gore re tle go kgona.

Madam Speaker, dibui di setse di buile fa pele ga me, tota fa go ne go sena Setswana se se reng “kgetsy ya puo ga e ke e tlaa,” ke ka bo ke re re a buile. Mo bogompienong ke eletsa fela gore gongwe ke fete ke baakanye golo gongwe fa ke dumelang gore Batswana ga ba a direlwa boammaaruri ka dikgang dingwe tse di neng di tswa mo bangweng ba rona. Jaanong go bothokwa gore fa ke ka kgonang teng dingwe ke di tlhamalatse kana ke di baakanye, jaaka o itse *Madam Speaker* gore tsa rona dikgang ka kwano re ne re di neetse Motlotlegi Mothusa Tautona, e bile e le *Minister of Finance*. Kwa letlhakoreng le lengwe di ne di neetswe LOO, jaanong ke ne ke mo reeditse ka tlhoafalo. Ba bangwe bale ba ma Domkrag ga ke dumele gore ba kile ba bua.

Sengwe sa dilo tse ke tshwanetseng ka tshwaela mo go sone pele fa ke nna fa fatshe ke gore, *I am so much appreciative it to God* gore ka nako e ke leng mo go yone e bo go tletse maBCP le UDC. Mapolotiki a tlhwaafalo. Ke tswa bogologolong ke dumela gore ke tshwanetse gore ke tshele ke tle go bona lebaka le ke leng mo go lone le *Madam Speaker*.

Jaanong ke eletsa go baakanya dikgang dingwe tse di neng di buiwa ke LOO. Ke dumela gore *he lacked the context*, o ne a tlhoka bogakolodi mo dikgannyeng tse dingwe, segolobogolo kgang e e amang Development Manager (DM) Model. Ga ke na go tsenelela thata mo go yone, ka gore re e beile botsetsi. Le a itse gore e tlaa re gongwe mo malatsing a a seng kana ka sepe, ke tle go fa Palamente e pego ka dikgang tse gongwe di amanang

le yone.

LOO o ne bua ka tšhakgalo e kete motho o dumela mo go se a buang, mme tota a latlhegile go latlhega. A bua gore *shame on us*, ke ne ka leletsa kwa lwapeng gore a mme *television* e butswa, bongwanake ba se ka ba reetsa dikgang tsa motho fela yo gongwe a leng kana ka nna a raya ba bangwe a re *shame on you. I thought that was not a language of this modern politics.*

LOO o ne a supa gore o bona *confusion* fa gare ga rona, ka gore ke ne ke supa gore *I postponed projects* dingwe under DM Model, mme ka fa *the Minister of Finance is providing budget for them.* Ke tlhalose kgang e, LOO ka ke mo itse a tlhaloganya dilo motlhofo, gongwe o ka tlhaloganya kgang e ya DM Model. *When we suspended projects kana suspended issues under the DM Model, we were suspending* dikonteraka kana borakonteraka ba go neng go na le dikgang tsa mabarebare a ke sa batleng go tsena mo go one gore, a ga re ka ke ra nama re emisitse pele *service* ya bone, re santse re lebaleba gore dikgang tse di buiwang ke batho, tsa gore ba oketsa *prices*, ba bangwe go na le *corruption* mo go bone, a ke tsone. Re ne re sa emise dikago tsa ditsela, *we were putting into a halt services which are provided by* borakonteraka. Go bo go raya gore ga re dira jalo, ga gona jaaka ditsela di ka tswelela di agiwa borakonteraka re ba reetse ra re ema pele.

Kana jaaka ke bua *Madam Speaker*, go dira jalo ga re emise kago ya ditsela, re raya gore fa go ka diragala gore re fitlhele e le gore dikgang tsa gore ba oketsa *prices* ga se boammaaruri, ditsela di tswelole, gape fa re ka fitlhela e le gore ke boammaaruri, re tsenye ba bangwe ditsela di tswelotse di le teng. *Therefore* go ne go tlhokafala *to budget for* ditsela tse, gore fa go ka diragala gore dikgang tsa gore gongwe go na le *corruption* ga se boammaaruri, go tswelole. Fa go ka fitlhelwa e le gore ke boammaaruri, re ba ntshe re tsenye ba bangwe, ditsela di ntse di tswelotse. *So the Minister of Finance was right to have budgeted for* ditsela tse ke di emesitseng *for nakwana tse. So there was not need for anybody to stand up and say shame on you, you suspended, you on the other hand you are budgeting for them.* Ke ne ke tsaya gore kgang e *Madam Speaker*, ke tshwanetse ka e tlhamalatsa gore the LOO a e tseye *straight from me*, e re kamoso a bue dikgang tse a leng *well informed* mo go tsone.

Kgang ya bobedi e ke tsayang gore botlhe ka fa ke phoso e ke bonang ba ntse ba e dira, mme ke bona gore ba e dira, ga ke itse gore *other than* ka bomo go

ka tweng. Ga ke eletse go dirisa Setswana sa ka bomo, *deliberately, intentionally.* Kgang e ya gore nako le nako re tlhophilwe ka gore re nnile le ditsholofetso, ee, go na le boammaaruri mo go yone, *but* se itebatse gore Batswana ka bontsi ba ne ba tlhopha ba tlhobogile Domkrag. Dikgang tsa tshenyetso-setšhaba, *a comedian President* le gore *there were priorities* tse e seng tsone. E ne e le dikgang tse di neng di le teng mo Batswaneng. Ee, re ne re na le ditoro, ga go molato go lora. *In mathematical language we say estimates, those were estimates and the Minister of Finance came and brought the actuals. So if you can look at the difference between the estimates and the actuals,* o tlaa lemoga gore monna *yo brought a balance between our dreams and reality on the ground as we found it.*

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR SALAKAE: *So there is nothing wrong with dreaming.* Ga ke itse gore a lona fa le ne le tsero Puso Hikuama, le ne le ya go dira sengwe le sengwe fela mo kgwedding? A ga le lore lona? Go lora ga go molato, le lona *manifesto* wa lona ke go lora.

MR HIKUAMA: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Honourable Salakae.* Go lebege o leka go tlhalosa sentle dikgang, ka matsetseleko le puo e e tlhotlhlweng sentle. Se ke batlang gore o se ntlhatswetse ke gore, a mme gompieno ka gore ga o sa tlhole o le mo ditorong, o motho yo o setseng a filwe boikarabelo, a o raya gore o ka nnela go opela ka fa Domkrag e dirileng ka teng, ka fa bothata bo leng teng, o sa tseye boikarabelo jwa go diragatsa ditoro tsa gago.

MR SALAKAE: *Thank you very much Honourable Hikuama.* Go na le selo *comrade*, se ba se bitsang *problem analysis.* *When we mention the BDP, we are doing problem analysis because* mathata a a tlisitswe ke bone. Re bo re tlisa *solution to* mathata a a tlisitsweng ke Domkrag. *Solution* ya ntlha e re e tlisitseng e le e kgwelang mathe, e ke lebogang Mopalamante wa Ramotswa, motho yo e tshwanetse e bo e le monna wa Modimo yo. O farologana le lona, o bona gore nnyaa e ka tswa e le phathi ya gaetsho, mme ga ke dumalane le bone. P1 400 batho ba Ramotswa ba a mo lebogele, jaaka batho ba Gantsi ba mo lebogela.

MR MABEO: *Point of order. Madam Speaker,* ke lebogela kgang ya gore a bo a re ke tshwanetse ke le monna wa Modimo, ke boammaaruri. Ke le monna yo o dumelang mo go Jeso Keresete, ke bue ke tsepame mo boammaaruring gore *you are out of order to say that* ke



farologana le phathi ya me. *You are completely out of order.*

MR SALAKAE: Kana go raya gore ene o ne a sa lemoge gore ba phathi ya gagwe ga ba dumalane le gore P1 400 ke maiteko, a ene a a buileng. Jaanong gone mo, ke yone pharologanyo e ke buang ka yone. Ene a re batho ba Ramotswa ba re P1 400 ke maiteko, Hikuama a re moo ke ditoro fela, a ga le emise go lora.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Members*, ke ne ke re ke le gakolole *something*. Standing Order 58.4 e dumalana le gore fa motho a le mo *floor* a bua, re mo reetse. Le tlaa tla le mo ganetsa ka nako ya lona le neetswe *floor*. Jaanong fa motho a bua le supana ka menwana, ke tlaa tloga ke sa utlwane le lona. *Honourable* Mokgware, ke bua le wena la bofelo.

MR SALAKAE: Ga ke lemoge gore nako e a tsamaya *Madam Speaker*, gongwe mo *five minutes* yo o latelang yo ka gore gongwe kamoso ke tlaabo ke dule mo lefatsheng, ke tshwaele mo dikgannyeng tse di amang *ministry* wa me, e bo e re *two minutes* yo o setseng ke bo ke boela kwa kgaolong.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable* Salakae, o senya nako.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)...

MR SALAKAE: Ee mma, mma ke supe fa gore *the Budget Speech or the Appropriation Bill* jaaka e ne e alwa ke Motlotlegi *Minister* wa *Finance*, e dirile mo gotweng *consolidation of our fiscals*. O dirile mo go neng go tlhokafala mo nakong e khutshwanyane, madinyana a a fitlhetseng o kgonne go a kgobokanya a bo a dira mo go tlhokafalang. Ke a dumela gore mo ngwageng o *until March, this tripartite evils of poverty, unemployment and economic parities, budget* e, e itebagantse le tsone.

Kwa lephateng la me jaaka ke tlhoka ka bua *in meetings* tse ke kopanang le tsone le gone fa mo Palamenteng, maikaelelo a rona a go bona gore re dira ditsela, go di isa gongwe le gongwe kwa batho ba leng teng, a tsemape, a santse a eme fela jalo. Ke supe gore e bile mo ditseleng tse tsotlhe tse Tona wa Madi a supileng gore di ya go dirwa, ditiro tse di ya go tswa mo ditseleng tse, *they are almost more than 200, before* re tsena mo ditseleng tse

dingwe tse re yang go di abela Mopalamente Furniture. Jaanong e ya gore ngwaga o fela ngwaga o o tlang, le tlaabo le sena se le ka buang ka sone, *because* Batswana *will be working*, Batswana ba tlaabo ba bone ditiro mo ditseleng tse re yang go di dira tse.

Go madimabe fela gore e rile fa ke goroga, le nako ya me fa ke le Mopalamente, ke ne ke lemoga gore kgang e ya go dira ditsela, Domkrag e ne e sa e tseye ka tlhwaafalo. Kwa kgaolong ya me e bile go ne go le *worse* ba e dirisa *for tribalism*.

If you to go Ghanzi, o ya go fitlhela ditsela tse tsotlhe tse di tseentsweng sekonotere, ke kwa go senang batho ba letso la Sesarwa teng. Mafelo otlhe a a nang le batho ba letso la Sesarwa, Domkrag e ne e sa bone go tshwanela gore e ise sekonotere teng. Ke sone se e rileng ke goroga, ke fitlhela go na le kgang ya gore go isiwe tsela kwa New Xade, ka go na le batho teng. E bile New Xade o ya go fetela kwa Central Kalahari Game Reserve (GKGR). Ke ne ka baya monwana. *As we speak*, tsela eo e kgonne, e tswelletse e hira batho ba New Xade, West Hanahai, East Hanahai ba le *more than 100*.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR SALAKAE: Ke thulaganyo e e leng gore re le ba *party* ya UDC re e tlisetsa Batswana. Re tsile go dira ditiro. Re tlile go didimatsa ba e leng gore mo dipelong tsa bone ba eletsa gore re palelwe. *We will not fail...*

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR SALAKAE: *We will be here*, re supa ditiro tsa rona e bile le lona le di bona. Re setse re supile gore tota fa go tla mo bathong ba ba dikobo dikhutshwane, *party* ya UDC e tlhagafala le go feta. Re bone botlhokwa jwa gore go tshola ga go a kgethelwa bahumi fela, batho ba e leng gore ga ba na lesego la itsholelo mo botshelong, le bone ba na le tshwanelo ya gore ba ka diragatsa thato ya Modimo, ba ntsifatsa palo ya lefatshe le. Re a bona gore bontsi jwa bone, *as legacy* ya Domkrag, ga ba ikgone mme re tlile ka thulaganyo Rre Caterpillar. Ke eletsa o e leboge ya gore batho ba Ngami ba ba eletsang go nna le malwapa mme ba sena bokgoni jwa go ka godisa bana ba bone, *party* ya UDC e ba lebile, e bile e a kopa gore ba e ikanye. *Tell those people* go ikanya UDC ka gore e a ba rata ka lenaneo le e yang go ba neela P300. *We are saying* fa *our fiscus* e ntse e siama, *some of these things* re ya go di ntlafatsa kana re di tokafatsa.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Applause!)...

MR SALAKAE: Go setse motsotso, ke ne ke eleditse gore gongwe ke ka bua go le go ntsi ka *the Budget Speech* ya ga Rre Gaolathe, e e leng gore ke ya ntlha mo ditsong. *He has managed to explain every detail. We were used to Budget Speech page tse five, e ya page tse di fetang bo 20, o bala o ntse o kgatlhega. O ithuta mo go yone.*

MADAM SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members. As it is now 7 o'clock, I shall call upon the Leader of the House to move a Motion of adjournment.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR MOHWASA): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke ne ke re ke go tlotle, mme ke kope gore Ntlo e, e ye boikhutsong *for* letsatsi la gompieno.

Question put and **agreed to.**

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 7:00 p.m. until Thursday 26th February, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

WRITTEN ANSWER TO QUESTION NO. 2

- (i) Mr Speaker, the Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) is currently conducting criminal investigations in relation to allegations of corruption at the Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA). DCEC cannot share any report or findings of ongoing investigations until charges have been drawn up.
- (ii) Mr Speaker, a Corruption Prevention Audit was carried out on the operations of CEDA in 2013 in terms of Section 6 (f) of the Corruption and Economic Crime Act. The Audit was carried out for purposes of examining the practices and procedures at CEDA to identify gaps, opportunities and risks of corruption with a view to make recommendations for improvement. On completion, Corruption Prevention Reports are usually presented to the leadership of the affected organization. Release of issues of administrative reforms therefore remains a prerogative of the organization and in this case CEDA may release the contents.
- (iii) In this regard, a Compliance Division was established within CEDA as implementation of

the recommendations contained in the Corruption Prevention Audit Report.

- (iv) Mr Speaker, the report's full recommendations cannot be made public as it contains individual's names and companies who would otherwise have to be consulted to give consent.
- (v) The matter relating to administrative recommendations and their implementation has been dealt with at (iii) above.
- (vi) Mr Speaker, the matter relating to Venture Capital Fund (CVCF) and Venture Capital Botswana entered into an arbitration process in 2020 and an Arbitrator was appointed in August 2020. The findings of the arbitration process will be released to the parties when complete.
- (vii) Mr Speaker, CEDA purchased an executive house at Extension 11, Gaborone, from the Botswana Development Corporation (BDC) in a public auction at a price of P9.6 Million including VAT, auctioneer's fees, transfer fees and valuation cost.

As CEDA was a participant at the public auction sale, it did not engage any estate agent to do the transaction on its behalf, instead a Senior CEDA employee was the one representing the Agency in the bidding duly authorized by the Board of Directors.

The agency spent P3.2 Million to refurbish the property including re-roofing, fixing the flooring, rebuilding parameter walls that had been damaged by overgrown trees and other structural works that needed to be carried out.

(viii) Mr Speaker, CEDA moved to its current premises (Four Thirty Square, Plot 54350, Philip Matante Road, CBD) in 2017 on a 5-year lease. The agency is on a monthly rental of P485, 430.00 excluding VAT with annual escalation at 8%. The total rental amount paid on the building for over the past five (5) years is P42 882 452.54 up to December 2024.

The building is 100% citizen owned company called Estate Property Investments (Pty) Ltd. Estate Construction (Pty) Ltd was given a loan amounting to P30 million in September 2017 for finishings to the building and the loan was fully repaid in August 2022.

(ix) Mr Speaker, CEDA initially invested P7 Million for a thirty five (35%) shareholding in Pula Steel and issued



a debenture instrument of P13 Million making the total CEDA investment P20 million.

BCL then came on Board, acquiring nine percent (9%) of the CEDA shareholding and paid a consideration of P1.8 Million to bring the CEDA shareholding to 26% and therefore a total investment of P18.2 Million from the initial P20 Million.

Unfortunately, CEDA has not earned any financial returns on the investment as the company was prematurely closed before it could start generating returns for the shareholders. The company is currently under liquidation. However, when it was operational, the employment created in Selebi Phikwe by Pula Steel was one hundred and fifty-five (155) employees.

I thank you Mr Speaker.

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